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MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST WOMEN MEET MARCH 25 IN JACKSON

The 73rd annual session of the Mississippi Baptist Woman's Missionary Union will be held at the First Baptist Church in Jackson March 25-27, it has been announced by Miss Almarine Brown, of Jackson, president.

An attendance of 1500, coming from every section of the state, is expected, representing the 900 W. M. U. organizations in the state.

"Crown Him" will be the theme of this year's convention, looking forward to next year when the Diamond Jubilee of the State W. M. U. will be observed.

Missionaries from China, Africa, and Mexico will appear on the three-day program as well as outstanding speakers and leaders from Mississippi and over the South.

The program, which will begin Tuesday night, the 25th, will include inspirational messages, reports, planning sessions, business meeting and prayer services.

Young people, representing the various young people's organizations of the W. M. U., will have charge of the worship period at each session.

Among the visiting personalities will be Dr. John L. Slaughter, pastor of the First Baptist church of Birmingham; Dr. Loyd Corder, Secretary of the Department of Direct Missions, the Home Mission Board, Atlanta; Mrs. William McMurry, Mission Study Director, Washington, D. C.

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DR. JOHN L. SLAUGHTER

Dr. John L. Slaughter, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Birmingham, will be one of the featured speakers at the State W. M. U. Convention which will meet in Jackson March 25-27. Dr. Slaughter, a native of Mississippi, has recently returned from a three-month preaching mission in Japan, and is in wide demand as a speaker. He is a graduate of Mississippi State College and the Louisville Seminary. He is past president of the Alabama Baptist Convention and is at present Alabama member of the Home Mission Board. Dr. Slaughter will speak on the opening night of the Convention.

CRUSADE PLANS NOW UNDER WAY FOR 1953

Several associations are making plans now looking forward to Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusades in 1953, it has been pointed out by Dr. C. E. Wilbanks, of Jackson, State Director of Evangelism.

At a recent meeting of the Clarke County Pastors' Conference plans were formulated by the pastors looking to leading their churches in a Crusade in 1953.

In Yazoo County the information is that the churches of that association have through their associational organization set the date for their 1953 Crusade—April 1-12.

The steering committees of the Carroll and Montgomery associations have held a joint meeting under the leadership of Missionary H. H. Ward for the purpose of setting in motion plans for a Crusade in those associations in the fall of 1953.

The Director of Evangelism points out that it is not too early to begin now the making of plans for a Crusade in the fall of 1953. Churches in still other associations perhaps are already making such plans and he would like to hear from them so their names could be listed and published as encouragement and information to others.

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Pastors' Meeting Planned To Precede Miami Convention

Nashville, Tenn. (BP) The four sessions of the Southern Baptist Pastors' Conference in Miami, Florida, May 12-13, will hear discussions and addresses on the theme of "The Living Word for a Dying World," announces C. C. Warren, Charlotte, North Carolina, chairman of the conference. The Pastors' Conference is an annual meeting immediately preceding the Southern Baptist Convention meeting.

Beginning with the Monday session at the Central Baptist Church, in Miami, the pastors will consider the theme in the life of the pastor, the life of the church, the life of the denomination and the life of the world. The closing session will be Tuesday night with Southern Baptist Convention sessions beginning the next morning.

Monday evening's speakers will include Robert S. Cooper, District of Columbia; C. Roy Angell, Miami, host pastor; Warren, conference chairman; James N. Morgan, Texas; Gaines S. Dobbins, Kentucky; M. Ray McKay, Arkansas, and Ralph A. Herring, North Carolina.

"In the Life of the Church" will (Continued on Page 9)

Baptists Ask Alertness To World's Hungers

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—A warning that in defending themselves against Communism Americans may fail to understand the hungers of a large majority of the world's people, was sounded here by the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs.

"In our foreign policies and relationships, we are under-estimating the relative importance of the areas of the world in which live most of these hungry, seeking peoples," said the committee in a statement on world issues adopted at its semi-annual meeting.

The United States is thereby creating the impression that Americans do not have an effective appreciation of their aspirations, the statement warned.

A strong endorsement of the Point IV program of technical and educational aid to underdeveloped countries was voted.

"In our national strategy," the committee said, "we are depending on the might of armed force as our primary means, and on spiritual and moral forces only as a secondary strategy, to which we give small place in our national positions on world issues."

"The importance of safeguarding our national sovereignty cannot safely be divorced from the sovereignty of the moral demands which the world's human hungers place upon us this day."

The committee reaffirmed its opposition to the nomination by the President of any envoy to the Vatican. It adopted a report stating that the arguments advanced in favor of U. S. representation at the Holy See have been "effectively refuted."

Another adopted report dealt with the alleged persecution of Baptist missionaries in Colombia. The report charged that in Bogota a Roman Catholic priest led a mob that stoned a Baptist church. Other stonings also occurred at the instigation of priests, the committee stated.

"So far as we know," the group said, "no action has been taken by the Colombian authorities to prevent further violations of this kind nor has there been any evidence that the Roman Catholic Church disapproves in any way of such crimes against religious liberty."

Flight From Red China

BY LESLIE B. FLYNN

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Now it can be told: the thrilling, yet tragic, story of escape from Red China by Missionary George Cole and family—minus one.

A knock came at the gate of the compound in Hweili, nestled among the hills of west China. The little Communist soldier bowed politely. "You are wanted at the police station!"

The missionary gave a start, then answered, "All right. I'll go!"

As George Cole said goodbye to his wife, both thought this was the last time they would see each other for awhile. The date, May 25, 1951 stood out vividly, for only the day before they had celebrated his birthday.

Outside the gate, Cole was sure something was going to happen. He and the other missionary at Hweili had agreed to stick together in all emergencies. So he suggested to the soldier, "Let's go over and get the other missionary."

"No, we don't want him. We just want you!"

Oh, thought Cole, painfully remembering that their senior missionary had been imprisoned by

the Communists since February.

Events of the past few months were not amusing as Cole reviewed them. He recalled how he and his wife had come from the States in September 1947 under the Conservative Baptist Foreign Missionary Society. After language study at Shanghai, they had been stationed at Hweili, Sichang province, almost as far west as is possible to go without getting into Tibet. In that rugged, primitive country, with mountains rising higher and higher on the west, finally extending into the Himalayas, they had labored for two-and-a-half years. They had baptized twenty-five converts, a good record for green missionaries in a new work.

He remembers how by the end of 1949 the three large cities which formed a triangle around Hweili had fallen to the Communists. Then on March 23rd the Communists had taken over their town. For eight months the missionaries weren't bothered in their work. Cole's English class of twelve fellows all quit because everyone became a leader in city government.

However the missionaries had carried on their ministry unhampered, holding street meetings, passing out tracts, dispensing medicine, preaching in the chapel.

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SBC Total Gifts Exceed \$3,000,000 In Two Months

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (BP) —Southern Baptists in twenty-two states and Alaska in February gave \$1,565,825 to Southern Baptist Convention causes and agencies through the Cooperative Program and designated gifts, bringing total gifts for the first two months of the year to \$3,084,001, according to reports from the office of Porter Routh, executive secretary of the Executive Committee in Nashville.

The February gifts included \$796,104 to the Cooperative Program with the balance in designated gifts. Cooperative Program gifts for both months totaled \$1,525,266, a 19.04 per cent increase over the \$1,281,280 given for the same two months in 1951.

Total designated gifts have reached \$1,558,735, most of it being received (Continued on Page 2)

Baptist Relief Given Latin America, Europe

The Relief Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention has appropriated \$10,000 to help the destitute Baptists of Jamaica. Dr. George W. Sadler, chairman of the committee, said the money will be sent to the Jamaica Baptist Union to be used at their discretion.

Baptists of Jamaica have been in extreme need since a hurricane hit the island last summer, destroying or seriously damaging 81 Baptist churches and wiping out basic crops. Jamaican Baptists are self-supported and self-directed. Aid from Southern Baptists is simply a gesture of friendship, explained Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., secretary for Latin America for the Foreign Mission Board and member of the committee. At the time of the disaster, \$10,000 were given.

The committee marked \$5,000 for North Brazil, where the interior has suffered from a disastrous drought which destroyed all crops for two years in succession. All foodstuffs must be shipped in from (Continued on Page 2)

COOPERATIVE PROGRAM CORNER

BY CHESTER L. QUARLES

Executive Secretary

The question is asked constantly "How is it that we Mississippi Baptists are making such progress in our giving through the Cooperative Program?" It is quite obvious that times are not getting better. Business generally is not better, the businessmen tell us. Nevertheless, we are making real progress in our giving in Mississippi Baptist life, through the Cooperative Program and also by designations.

The answer is two-fold (1) More Baptists are tithing and giving regularly; and (2) more churches are increasing their mission gifts. Many churches give a percentage of their total income to the Cooperative Program. When the percentage is increased year after year, the church is enabled to give larger amounts to missions.

Some of the churches have increased their percentages to the Cooperative Program this year as against last year as follows:

Calhoun City	60%
Houston	11%
Okolona	100%
D'Lo	25%
Raleigh	60%
Meridian, First	100%

Others will be listed next week. We have a number of reports on hand. Pastors and treasurers are urged to report to us the exact percentage increase this year over last year. We would like to publicize the reports for the encouragement of our people generally.

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HISTORICALLY SPEAKING

BY J. L. BOYD,
Custodian

The clerk of the Winston County Association, Rev. E. D. Estes, has sent in the last of the missing minutes to complete their associational file in the Historical Society library. Brother Estes has had the assistance of a number of people in his and neighboring associations.

Since December the files of two other associations, Greene and Pike, have been completed. The clerk of Greene, Joe Walley, was greatly helped by Brother E. M. Ball and Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Smith of County Line Church. And the clerk of Pike, Rev. J. A. Terrell, was aided largely by Cleon White of McComb who influenced E. L. Smith of McComb to part with practically all the old missing minutes from a personal file which he prized very highly. We appreciate the cooperation of all those who are contributing their time and assistance to the clerks in completing their associational files.

The custodian is anxious to have in hand all the 1931 minutes by July 1, which is the dead line for clerks to be classed as "Superior."

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Blue Mountain, Miss., March 10—Miss Mary Jo Ray, Ackerman, has been elected to the Student Government Council at Blue Mountain College for this semester. She will represent the house presidents on the council.



CHARLES L. KELLY

Charles L. Kelly (above), son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Marshall Kelly, of Seminary, was recently licensed to the ministry by the Seminary Church. Rev. Byron E. Mathis, pastor. After completing his work at Mississippi Southern College this year he plans to enter the New Orleans Seminary.

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Pearl City Has Triple Dedication

March 2 was a day of many activities for the Pearl City Church in Rankin county. The church dedicated the completion of the choir loft and remodeling of the auditorium, and the debt-free parsonage; ordained Claud Mangum as deacon and celebrated the first anniversary of the pastor, Rev. James Chapman.

Chestine Flynt, music director, was in charge of the music program and all three graded choirs participated in the services.

Visiting with the church on this day were Rev. Hollis Benton, who preached the ordination sermon and Rev. J. M. Majors, who brought the sermon of dedication.

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15th Avenue Has Record Attendance

On Sunday, March 9, Fifteenth Avenue Church, Meridian, broke another record in Training Union attendance with 217. The highest attendance to this date was during the revival in November when they had 211.

Many members of Fifteenth Avenue are taking full part in Church Loyalty Month. 178 were present for prayer meeting last Wednesday night and over 200 are expected to participate in the All-Church Study Course that will begin at the Training Union hour, Sunday night, March 16. The teachers: H. B. Youngblood, Dr. Jack Southerland, Mrs. Jack Southerland, Miss Evelyn Crooke, Mrs. H. B. Youngblood, Miss Mary McCraw, and Mrs. J. L. Stephens will direct the work for the Primary, Beginner and Nursery departments.

Sunday, March 30, Named Mission Day

First special call is sounded this week for Home and Foreign Mission Day to be observed in the Sunday Schools and churches Sunday, March 30.

This is one of four convention approved special offering days observed by Sunday Schools throughout the year.

Special emphasis is being devoted to this offering this year because of the change in percentage to worldwide causes from 50 to 40 percent.

Special material to aid in the observance of this day has been mailed to all churches. Executive Secretary Chester L. Quarles and Treasurer J. E. Lane urge all Sunday Schools to observe this day and take a special offering for Home and Foreign Missions.

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SBC Total . . .

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Receipts from the Lottie Moon Christmas offering for foreign missions.

Of the total receipts this year, over \$3,000,000, the Foreign Mission Board received \$2,244,062, most of it designated.

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Mississippi Baptist . . .

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man's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, Birmingham; Mrs. N. H. Eudaly, missionary to Mexico; Miss Kathleen Manly, missionary to Africa, and Mrs. J. D. Belote, missionary to China.

Recorded messages will be heard from Miss Minnie Landrum of Brazil and Mrs. J. D. Franks of Switzerland.

Several Mississippi leaders will appear on program, including Miss Edwina Robinson, Executive Secretary, and other members of the staff in the State W. M. U. office.

The annual convention will close Thursday the 27th at noon.

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Baptist Relief . . .

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the coast by river, oxcart, and muleback, explained Dr. Gill.

It was reported that Louis Seay, the Foreign Mission Board's business manager, has recently purchased clothing at considerable saving from a firm which was going out of business. For \$1,100 he secured clothes which would have retailed for approximately \$6,000.

A large portion of the clothing has been sent to students in the European Theological Seminary, Ruschlikon - Zurich, Switzerland, which is now training ministers of eighteen nationalities, many of whom were on relief in the countries from which they came.

Southern Baptist missionaries in Korea are receiving funds for destitute needs there. The committee marked small amounts of money for other countries and uses.

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The First Church, Meridian, will have a Church Loyalty Study Course the week of March 24. The Course will be sponsored by the Training Union under direction of the director, Dr. Paul Bector. Dr. Walter L. Moore is the pastor.

Baptist Joint Committee Adds Two Groups

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)—

Two more Baptist bodies have been admitted to membership in the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs here.

At the semi-annual meeting of the Joint Committee applications from the North American Baptist General Conference (German) and the Baptist General Conference of North America (Swedish) were approved and delegates from the two conferences welcomed.

This action raises to six the number of Baptist bodies with representation on the Joint Committee. The others are the American Baptist Convention, the Southern Baptist Convention, the National Baptist Convention, Inc., and the National Baptist Convention of America. The latter two are Negro bodies.

A combined membership of more than 15,000,000 is now represented by the committee.

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S'West Pastors Meet At Liberty

The Southwest Pastor's Conference met Monday of this week at the church at Liberty. In spite of inclement weather, there were 25 present. Rev. Troy Prince of McComb presided over the program which included parts by Dr. W. A. Sullivan of Natchez, Rev. Joe Abrams of Jackson, Rev. Earl Edwards of McComb, and Rev. Vernon May of Tylertown.

Dinner, featuring second helpings of fried chicken, was provided by the host church, Rev. Roy Collum pastor.

"Report to Stockholders"

BY CHESTER E. SWOR

In late February it was my privilege to be on the campus of our New Orleans Baptist Seminary for three days in connection with my assignment to deliver the Tharp Lectures in which ministers are "measured" from the layman's viewpoint. Because my impressions of our Seminary there were such uniformly happy ones, and because the overwhelming majority of our Southern Baptist constituency will not have occasion to visit there, I send this impression.

The most appropriate and accurate summary statement of my impression of our New Orleans Seminary is this: The seminary is an excellent steward of the students, confidence, and money which Southern Baptists have committed to the institution.

Though the enrollment has exceeded all former records and sorely taxes the facilities of the old campus, our Seminary is expanding its faculty personnel, is constantly increasing its already high standard of classroom excellence, and, best of all, is striving valiantly and successfully to keep vital the Seminary's cherished tradition of warm-hearted evangelism. In my contacts with faculty

Retirement Plan Helps 638 During Last Five Years

DALLAS, Tex. —(BP)— During the five-year period of 1947-51, 638 Baptist preachers were retired under the Ministers Retirement plan, 540 of them being age annuitants and ninety-eight disability annuitants, according to Dr. Walter L. Alexander, executive secretary of the Relief and Annuity Board of the Southern Baptist Convention.

A majority of the disabled annuitants are under sixty-five years of age, whereas all others are sixty-five or over, the records show.

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Midway, Jackson Calls Rev. Ray Dykes

The Midway Church in Jackson has voted to call to their pastorate Rev. Ray M. Dykes, pastor of one of the largest rural churches in the state, Blackjack, in Yazoo county. If Mr. Dykes accepts, he will succeed Rev. Ira F. Metts, who recently accepted a call to a Memphis church.

Mr. Dykes is a graduate of Mississippi College and the Louisville Seminary. He has held pastorates in Jackson, New Orleans, Houston, Texas and other places. He was formerly assistant to the late Dr. H. M. King, long beloved pastor of Calvary Church in Jackson, and he was interim pastor after the death of Dr. King.

Mrs. Dykes is the former Joy King, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. King.

members I felt that there is a keen sense of responsibility to train the young ministers who will be superlatively true to the Christian message and warmly loyal to their denomination.

The new campus is a magnificent demonstration of the good stewardship of the capital improvement funds committed to our New Orleans Seminary! This writer has never seen a more worthy translation of Southern Baptist building funds into brick and stone, and he joins President Leavell and the entire Seminary family in praying fervently that funds for completing the urgently needed new facilities will come generously and soon. Our New Orleans Seminary is a good steward of the message, the men, and the money committed to it by Southern Baptists.

—BR—

Ruth Will Begin Revival March 16

The Ruth Church is announcing a spring revival beginning Sunday, March 16 and continuing through March 21. Services will be in the evening only at 7 o'clock. Pastor Ben Borders will do the preaching and Mrs. Borders will have charge of the music.

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The Judge Is Right

Circuit Court Judge W. E. McIntyre of Brandon in a charge to the Scott County grand jury at Forest a few days ago said, "The result of national repeal of prohibition convinces me that the solution lies not in repeal but in a vigorous and courageous enforcement of the law against sale, and in the education of youth on the evil effects of liquor."

We agree wholeheartedly with Judge McIntyre. If many of our legislators who are working for repeal of prohibition would be fair enough to give us some help in law enforcement, conditions would be much better.

Several good laws have been introduced at the present session of the legislature designed to help enforcement. A recent press report stated that all of them had been killed in the House. We understand that the wet speaker of the House appointed a predominantly wet temperance committee. In other words, the temperance question in Mississippi is in the hands of the Speaker of the House and the Temperance Committee.

The prohibition question is largely a question of enforcement and not of repeal. And the legislature should at least try enforcement. Of course, there will be crooks as long as there are human beings, but some help in law enforcement is needed. Many of those who claim that prohibition cannot be enforced, give no aid in passing laws that will help enforcement.

Baptist Liberty For Baptists

We want to share with our readers this thought-provoking editorial by Rev. W. Barry Garrett, editor of the Arizona Baptist Beacon:

Baptists insist on and if necessary would die for the religious liberty for all groups. We believe in freedom of speech, freedom of thought and expression, for any and all peoples of the world. But sometimes we wonder if Baptists understand the principle of Liberty and freedom of speech as applied to themselves. Surely we ought to grant to our own preachers, scholars and thinkers the same freedom that we insist on for others.

It is a strange thing indeed that Baptists who pride themselves on

their doctrine of the competency of the individual soul in all religious matters, who insist on the primacy of the individual and who affirm vigorously the right of private or individual interpretation of the Scriptures under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, will be the first to disfranchise, disfellowship, castigate and brand as a modernist any one of their fellow Baptists who dares to think out loud or express himself publicly in a way that does not conform to the strict line of Baptist thought and established custom. You know, it could be that the last word has not been said for the Baptist interpretation of things! Why should a person who dares to do a little independent thinking and application of fundamental Baptist principles to current issues be immersed with question marks, scared by eyebrow lifting, frozen by cold shoulders and ostracized from the fellowship of the pure orthodox?

Where did Baptists develop their classification complex? When did we get the idea that we must all fit into the same mold and agree in every point of doctrine before there can be fellowship among us? Baptists have never been conformists. They have always been different, not only from other groups but among themselves. Our Baptist forefathers whom we so proudly acclaim and from whom we are proud to be descended would have a hard time getting into the fellowship of many present day Baptists groups. They would groan in their souls if they were alive today to see the intoler-

ance of Baptists for Baptists who are not strict conformists.

Of all people who should have a generous spirit and attitude toward others, Baptists should head the list. We pray that the day will soon come when a Baptist will be recognized as a Baptist and will be loved and respected by all the brethren, even though there may be great differences among ourselves. Baptist liberty for Baptists is an absolute essential, if we are to perform our function and fulfill our destiny in the modern world.

The next great advance in Baptist fellowship in America must be to welcome and encourage with open hearts absolute religious liberty for Baptists among Baptists. May God hasten the day when a Baptist can think and give expression to his thoughts without feeling the sting of criticism and disfellowship from his brethren!

Our Readers Write

Dear Editor Goodrich:

More power to you! The editorials you have been giving us on the President's Ambassador to the Pope, and on American Freedom have been read with interest and approval.

Keep up the good work. I see very little about this matter in the secular papers. Are they afraid to touch the subject?

Keep the matter before your readers until it is settled and settled right.

Dear Sir:

You are just wasting your time and ink and paper writing against an Ambassador to the Vatican. We are going to have one sooner or later. And it won't be long before we get our just share of the school money to help run

our Parochial schools. They are the only true schools run by the True Church.

I wouldn't subscribe for you old paper if it was the only one on earth but a neighbor gives it to me. I think he does it just to see what I will say. He is one of your narrow-minded Baptists. I'll gladly send flowers when you and him have funerals.

A MEMBER OF THE ONLY
TRUE CHURCH.

Dear Dr. Goodrich: May I add a word to the many I am sure you receive for the effective way you have presented the case against the appointment of an American Ambassador to the Vatican. All of us who are deeply concerned about the preservation of the proper relationship between church and state owe you and many other editors of religious papers a debt of gratitude for giving us the TRUE facts on this vital issue.

A REGULAR READER.

Dear Editor:

Why do you print so much about mission charters and want us to let you send us with the amount we give printed on it?

I thought each church was independent and was supposed to run its own affairs. If we need your help we will let you know.

AN OLD TIME BAPTIST.

Comment: A careful check of the association minutes indicates that the above church gave nothing to missions during the last associational year and had the same number of baptisms.

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E/P—The American Business Men's Research Foundation recently made an extensive investigation of insurance claims to determine the lethal qualities of alcohol. It revealed that all drinkers have on the average a mortality rating one-third higher than others. This conclusion was based on a study of alcoholic cases which included 72,568 policy years in 758 death claims.

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E/P—The Bolivian Indian Mission reports that in Aiquile a devout Roman Catholic was asked for a few of the very fine hairs from the tail of her little dog. Though surprised, she complied, and was then told they were wanted for eyebrows and eyelashes on dilapidated images of saints. This led her to turn to the living Saviour, saying, "How could I bow down and worship the hairs from my dog's tail?"

—BR—

E/P—"Spain is a clerical state which maintains a Protestant ghetto," reports Dr. Mackay. There are 20,000 Protestants in Spain, but these are not permitted to mark their churches, publish church literature, or hold services in private homes. They may not conduct recreational clubs, or parochial schools. They are not permitted to become army officers, teachers, or lawyers. It is also difficult for Protestants to marry.

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Sparks & Splinters

The Spring meeting of Cophah Association will be held March 21. The emphasis will be given over to the subject of evangelism.

The new Southeastern Seminary at Wake Forest, North Carolina has already enrolled 102 in its first year. Applications received so far for next September now total about 70. Of course some of them will change their minds but it seems that the seminary will be unable to receive all who desire to attend.

Rev. Clyde C. Bryan, pastor of First Baptist Church, Hattiesburg, returned last Monday from a week's revival meeting at Biscayne Gardens Baptist Church in Miami, Florida. While there Rev. Bryan flew over to Havana, Cuba, to visit our mission field there.

Postage Due: The Baptist Record is always glad to give publicity to the accomplishment of any Mississippian. However, we recently received an envelope full of material concerning a Mississippian. We were glad to get the material but we did not shout when we had to pay the postage due on the package.

Pleasant Ridge Church in Oktibeha county reports that a Training Union has been organized, a study course held, curtains for the Sunday School rooms purchased, a roadside sign erected and bulletin boards for the training union and Sunday school have been added. Rev. W. T. McDowell is pastor.

Rev. and Mrs. James A. Clarke, Southern Baptist missionaries to Nigeria, have returned to the States before the date of their regular furlough because of the illness of Mrs. Clarke. They may be addressed at 422 E. Convent Avenue, Pascagoula, Miss. Both are natives of Mississippi. Mrs. Clarke was formerly Joyce Van Osdol.

The Tarrant County (Texas) Baptist Association has presented the Radio Commission with a thousand-dollar check for the Baptist Hour. The men from Fort Worth expressed an abiding appreciation for the Baptist Hour, saying "It is without doubt the finest religious program being heard in America today." The money given by the Texas Association came to them as part of the proceeds of free-will offerings from showing the religious film "Mr. Texas."

In a recent Convention-wide music survey made by the Department of Survey, Statistics, Baptist Sunday School Board, B. B. McKinney, Fann Crosby and Charles H. Gabriel polled the largest number of songs listed as favorites with the churches. B. B. McKinney led with 32 songs and Fanny Crosby second with 19. The ten most popular songs in the poll were listed in the following order: "Amazing Grace," "What A Friend We Have in Jesus," "The Old Rugged Cross," "Just As I Am," "All Hail The Power," "At The Cross," "Blessed Assurance," "Sweet Hour of Prayer," "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," "There Is A Fountain."

The Pike County Associational Brotherhood will be held at the Osyka Church, March 17.

The church at Magee is in receipt of a telegram from Washington granting them sufficient steel and authority to begin construction on their new auditorium and three-story educational building. Cost of the new plant will be \$183,000.00, according to Rev. J. B. Smith, pastor of the church. There is now on hand \$65,000. Mr. Smith further stated they hope to begin construction soon on the new edifice.

The Baptist Record appreciates a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions from Second Church, Kosciusko. Rev. Barney Padgett is the pastor.

Just as he did at Port Gibson, Pastor A. L. Chumbley of Sardis continues to promote the Baptist Record, feeling that it is an excellent assistant pastor. Recently he sent a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions with the promise of more to come.

LONDON, England (E-P) British Alliance leaders are to meet with Dr. Billy Graham in March to explore possibilities of a series of evangelistic campaigns in Great Britain in the near future. Encouraged by the success of the evangelistic effort in the Festival of Britain, they are considering launching out on a nationwide scale of evangelism.

As a matter of information we give below the number of people from the various states listed on the program of the Southern Baptist Convention which meets in Miami, Florida in May. California 1; Florida 3; Oregon 1; Tennessee 3; South Carolina 1; New Mexico 1; Mississippi 1; Georgia 3; Missouri 1; Kentucky 2; Texas 5; Oklahoma 5; Alabama 1. This does not include those who were named at the Convention in San Francisco to make reports at the coming convention.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. (BP) Oklahoma Baptists are planning a stepped-up program in Cooperative Program contributions which will reach two million dollars in 1956, according to Dr. T. B. Lackey, executive secretary of the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma. With a 1952 goal of \$1,000,000, Baptist leaders in the state anticipate a yearly jump of \$200,000 to Southern Baptists' plan of supporting mission, educational and benevolent causes. The adopted goal for 1953 will be \$1,200,000.

During the recent week of Bible study at Cartersville Church, Hattiesburg, Rev. V. C. Windham, pastor of the 38th Avenue Church in Hattiesburg; Mrs. Sam Waggoner, of Petal Harvey Church; Mrs. Bastine and Pastor W. L. Yeatman of the Cartersville Church, led in the teaching.

Elle Boulevard Church, Paul City, Virginia, which is only seven miles from Washington, D. C., is only two years old. But in that time it has made remarkable progress under the leadership of the pastor, Rev. Cecil H. Franks. He thinks it is one of the greatest mission fields on earth. Sunday School enrolment is now 407. During the past two years 157 members have been received into the church—80 by baptism. He asks that Baptist Record readers send him the names of any Baptists who have moved into that section. His address is Falls Church, Virginia.

Rev. Thomas L. Norwood, recently ordained to the gospel ministry by the Merton Avenue Church in Memphis, Tennessee, has accepted the pastorate of Sarepta Church. Up until recently Mr. Norwood has been a student at the New Orleans Seminary.

The Baptist Record appreciates a nice list of renewal subscriptions from New Salem Church, Carroll County. The list was sent by Mrs. W. W. Bennett.

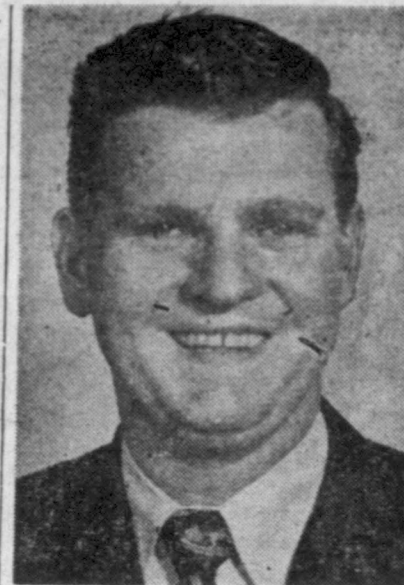
According to the February report of receipts by the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, Mississippi ranked fourth in total contributions with \$110,703. Texas, North Carolina and South Carolina were the three giving more. Of Mississippi's gifts \$36,600 was given through the Cooperative Program and \$74,103 was designated.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Cecil Warlington, Newton; L. B. West, Jackson; Rev. D. I. Young, Jr., Magee; Jerry Young, Magee; Rev. F. P. Lott, Grapeland, Texas; Rev. M. P. Jones, Wesson; Dr. William P. Davis, Flora; John L. Nash, Hattiesburg; Walt Langford, Vicksburg; Rev. Kenneth G. Hall, Kosciusko; H. L. Dunn, Kosciusko; Warren O. Siller, Quincy, Massachusetts; Rev. Montie A. Davis, Raleigh; and Rev. Charles Tyler, Pelahatchie.

Miss Akiko Endo has been elected full-time youth secretary for the Japan Baptist Convention. By action of the convention's executive committee last month, she becomes the first youth secretary among Japanese Baptists. Her work, done in consultation with the convention's youth committee, will deal with a program of study and activities for the more than 2,000 young people in the Japan Baptist Convention's 43 churches. Miss Endo, who studied at Woman's Missionary Union Training School in Louisville, Ky., will do much of the groundwork in connection with curriculum materials to be used and in simple organizational plans to be projected this year.

Toxish Baptist Church, Pontotoc County, will have its spring revival March 23-29. Brother B. L. Mohon of Okolona will be the preacher. There is a goal of 81 in Sunday School set for the first Sunday. Rev. Paul Harwood is pastor.

Rev. T. P. Lott, a native of Purvis, is giving his full time to evangelism. He specializes in tent campaigns April through September. He has his own tent equipment with a seating capacity of 1,500, folding chairs, public address system and a piano. The effectiveness of a church-centered tent revival, whether city-wide or sponsored by a local church, has been proved many times over. There is an attractiveness about a tent that many unsaved people do not find in an auditorium. During his pastoral days Mr. Lott held several important pastorates in Texas and was for twelve years a member of the Executive Board. For five years he was on the Board of Directors of the Baptist Standard. Those interested in his services should write him at Grapeland, Texas.



TOMMY COPELAND

Tommy Copeland (above), of Gulfport, has been elected editor for next year of THE COLLEGIAN, Mississippi College student weekly paper. He is now associate editor with Jasper McPhail as editor. Mr. Copeland is a ministerial student and is a student employee in the Registrar's Office.

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Jack Shuler's Short Sermons (\$2.00) by Jack Shuler contains 38 selected sermons by the author. In the introduction by Paul S. Rees he declares, "These sermon 'briefs' are sparkingly readable. They are swift, crisp and pointed. They glow with the ardor of Jack's heart. Better still, they throb with the passion of Christ's heart. The wide range of topics covered, the Biblical insights reflected, the eloquent passages fashioned, and, above all, the grace of the saviour exalted—these combine to make the following pages a pleasure to introduce and to commend." It is published by the Zondervan Publishing House, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from the publishers.

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Parishioners List Major Sermon Topics

St. Louis Park, Minn. (RNS) "If you could hear only five sermons the rest of your life, what five topics would you like to hear discussed?" asked Rev. Roger C. Schumck, rector of St. George's Episcopal church in Minneapolis.

The topics which got the most votes will form the basis for Mr. Schumck's Sunday sermons during Lent. They are:

- (1) Immortality. Is there life after death? How can we be assured there is? Where can we find the key to the Pearly Gates?
- (2) How can we keep faith in the face of adversity? Is greater faith developed by adversity?
- (3) What can we do to secure and maintain world peace?
- (4) How can adults keep children from losing faith?
- (5) When all goes well with our lives, how can we keep from feeling self-sufficient and independent of God?

Mr. Schumck asked for the topics after he decided he wanted his series to meet their needs and to answer their questions on the Christian religion or spiritual life.

Harmony Promotes Youth Program

Harmony Church, Jones county, promoting an extensive youth program, has organized a Boy Scout troop with Charles Kelly as Scout Master and Burton Stumph as assistant Scout Master.

A contractor has been employed to grade and improve a large section of ground which will be used in the recreation program for baseball, basketball and tennis. Also being provided is a youth building for inside activities.

Under voluntary leadership of the church, the youth activities will be for the benefit of all the youth of the vicinity.

During the past twelve months there have been 124 additions, 111 of that number are adults. Presently plans are being formulated for the erection of a modern church plant.

Pastor T. E. Fant will do the preaching at the spring revival April 6-13. Dr. Hardee J. Kennedy of the New Orleans Seminary will be the evangelist during the summer meeting, June 1-8, and Dewitt Pickering of the Hebron Church, Jones county, will lead the singing.

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Clinton Church Calls Russell M. McIntyre

The congregation of the Clinton Church has extended a call to the Rev. Russell M. McIntyre, now acting pastor of the First Church of Bogalusa, La., and it is believed that he will accept the call.

Mr. McIntyre would succeed the Rev. Noland Kennedy who recently moved to a Texas pastorate.

A native of Missouri, Mr. McIntyre is a graduate of William Jewell College and the New Orleans Seminary. He was assistant to Dr. J. D. Grey of First Church, New Orleans for four years and has been at Bogalusa six years. He joined that church as music and educational assistant but has been acting pastor since a heart attack struck down the regular pastor, who continued on the field.

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Cophah Churches To Have Crusade

With 17 churches committed and others expected to come in, the Cophah County Association will have a Simultaneous Evangelistic Crusade, March 30-April 6.

Dr. C. E. Wilbanks of Jackson, State Director of Evangelism, will be campaign director and preach for the meeting at the Hazlehurst Church, with Rev. O. L. Chambers of Vicksburg leading the singing.

Churches already committed are: Antioch, Bethel, Damascus, Gallman, Crystal Springs, Hazlehurst, Georgetown, Hopewell, New Zion, Sardis, Shadey Grove, Smyrna, Springhill, Strong Hope, Sylva, rena, Wesson, Zion Hill.

The committee on evangelism is composed of Rev. Rowe Holcomb, chairman; Rev. R. J. Sweetman, Rev. M. P. Jones, Rev. Benton Evans, and Rev. Dewey Williams. Rev. M. D. Morton of Crystal Springs is Moderator.

GOING

By A. L.

Lulu Come

Lula Church is one of the largest growing list of churches made the Baptist Johnson, Mississippi, is the president, is the president.

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GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Lulu Comes In

Lula Church in Madison County is one of the latest additions to the growing list of churches that have made the Baptist Record a part of the church program. Rev. Billy Johnson, Mississippi College student, is the pastor.

Record readers in Madison County are now listed as follows: CAMDEN 22, CANTON, FIRST 335, CANTON, CENTER TERRACE 131, Farmhaven 1, FLORA 78, LULA 16, MADISON 14, LONE PINE 25, and Ridgeland 5.

They Liked The Sample

As many other churches have done, White Bluff Church in Marion county, asked the Baptist Record to send sample copies for a few weeks so that the people might become acquainted with the Record and as usual, the church liked the sample and the pastor, Rev. H. L. Deer, wrote, "The White Bluff Church has voted to adopt the EVERY FAMILY PLAN of the Baptist Record."

Record readers in Marion County are now listed as follows: Antioch 17, CALVARY 55, BUNKER HILL 115, CEDAR GROVE 45, COLUMBIA 150, EAST COLUMBIA 51, FOXWORTH 104, GOSS 65, GREENVILLE 26, Hickory Grove 8, Hub 1, HURRICANE CREEK 59, IMPROVE 92, KOKOMO 61, NEW HOPE 39, NORTH COLUMBIA 31, SANDY HOOK 30, Spring Cottage 5, WHITE BLUFF 16, CLEAR CREEK 52, SHILOH 31, and PINE BUR 21.

Kosciusko

While Pastor Pierce was in a meeting at Weir we had the privilege of supplying at First Church, Kosciusko.

Any church planning a building would do well to come and look over the new church plant. It is a thing of joy and beauty and the people are proud of it, and they prove it by their attendance. At the night service we had to park almost a block away.

Attala county Record readers are now listed as follows: Antioch 14, BEAR CREEK 38, BEREIA 39, CARSON RIDGE 38, C O U N T Y LINE 49, Edgfield 1, ETHEL 75, Hurricane 9, Jerusalem 1, K O S C I U S K O, FIST 423, KOSCIUSKO SECOND 20, McAdams 3, MCCOOL 25, New Salem 13, North Union 26, Pleasant Ridge 9, Sallis 5, SPRINGDALE, 20, UNITY 38, WILIAMSVILLE 56, NEW HOPE 22, and Sand Hill 1.

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Rev John E. Barrow has resigned the pastorate of the Kiddville Church, Mt. Sterling, Kentucky in order to accept the pastorate at Fries, Virginia. During his pastorate at Kiddville the church erected and equipped and paid for an educational building. It was dedicated on the last Sunday of Mr. Barrow's pastorate. Mississippians will remember Mr. Barrow as pastor of the church at Sturgis before he resigned to go to Louisville to study at the Southern Baptist Seminary.

32 Associations Elect Officers For Evangelism

Realizing the importance of organizing an association for evangelism, Dr. C. E. Wilbanks, State Director of Evangelism, is urging every association in the state that has not done so to begin by electing its General Chairman and Organizer.

According to information reaching the office of the Director of Evangelism, 32 associations have elected these primary officers. He feels that many others are so organized and asks them to contact his office soon so records can be complete. Also the Department of Evangelism of the Home Mission Board needs this information to complete its files.

Below is listed those associations listed as being organized, the Chairman and Organizer, in order: Alcorn—Rev. M. Glen Smith, Rev. R. B. Patterson, Sr.

Attala—Rev. A. B. Pierce, Rev. Kenneth Hall.

Calhoun—Rev. J. L. Morgan, Rev. John B. Laney.

Carroll—Rev. W. Martin Smith, Rev. H. H. Ward.

Chickasaw—Rev. J. E. Rogers, Rev. J. W. Kitchens.

Choctaw—Rev. N. M. Pulling, Rev. J. P. Bush.

Clay—Rev. Guy C. Futral (Organizer moved away).

DeSoto—Rev. Grant Clark, Rev. Harold C. Clower.

Grenada—Rev. R. B. Smith, Rev. Harry Kellogg.

Jackson—Rev. Zeno Wells, Rev. W. R. Storie.

Lauderdale—Dr. Walter L. Moore, Dr. David Q. Byrd.

Lebanon—Rev. J. W. Wood, Rev. C. C. Bryan.

Leflore—Dr. J. H. Kyzar, Dr. R. A. Tullos.

Marion—Rev. John R. Eubanks, Rev. J. N. Holloway.

Monroe—Rev. C. W. Thompson, Rev. R. H. Edwards.

Montgomery—Rev. C. B. Hamlet, III, Rev. H. H. Ward.

Mississippi—Rev. O. B. Beverly, Rev. Evon Ingram.

Noxubee—Rev. R. D. Pearson, Rev. J. F. Stanford.

Panola—Rev. Tracy Barnett, Jr., Rev. J. W. Oliver.

Prentiss — (Chairman moved away), Rev. J. D. Thompson.

Rankin—Rev. J. L. Reeves, Rev. J. F. Murry.

Tate—Dr. H. L. Martin, Rev. F. V. McFarridge.

Tippah—Rev. George H. Gay, Rev. Robert Woody.

Winston—Rev. James H. Fairchild, Rev. N. G. Hickman.

Zion—Judge R. P. Sugg, Rev. K. C. Hardy.

Bolivar—Rev. C. C. Carraway.

Copiah—Rev. Rowe Holcomb.

Deer Creek — Rev. Homer W. Robertson, Rev. Chester Molpus.

Jasper—Rev. A. L. Gatewood, Rev. W. H. Merritt.

Lincoln—Rev. Marvin Sanders.

Sunflower—Rev. Guy Reedy.

Yazoo—Rev. J. N. Brister, Rev. Mitchell Graves.



Shown above is a group attending the Mexican Mission in Washington County. The Sunday was rainy, therefore the crowd, running true to Baptist form, was cut in half.

Mexican Mission Wins S. S. Banner

It has not been generally known but Mississippi Baptists have a Mexican mission.

It is located 12 miles south of Greenville in Washington County and is believed to be the only regular Mexican mission in the state.

This mission is sponsored by the Deer Creek Association and was started in November of 1951. It meets in a one-room school building, according to Rev. R. A. Langley, Associational Missionary of Washington County, who preaches to them every Sunday afternoon. He also gives an English lesson.

The effectiveness of this mission was recently demonstrated at the association-wide Sunday School rally, February 15. This mission took the attendance banner.

RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS: God in His infinite wisdom has seen fit on February 1, 1952 to take Mrs. J. D. Fulton to her heavenly reward; and

WHEREAS: Mrs. J. D. Fulton was a widow of a faithful Baptist preacher and the mother of our own Doss G. Fulton, presently serving as a faithful deacon in our church;

BE IT RESOLVED: That Doss G. Fulton's fellow deacons of Calvary Baptist Church express deep and prayerful sympathy to Mr. Fulton and all other members of the family in the loss of their loved one and assure them of the prayerful interest of the deacons in their behalf that God's grace may abound in their lives in this time of sorrow.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That a copy of these resolutions be presented to our fellow deacon in Christ, Doss G. Fulton, a copy be placed in the Calvary Record, and a copy be placed in the minutes of the Calvary Deacons.

Resolutions Committee:

GUY R. SYKES.

R. W. HOWELL.

J. T. GRANTHAM.

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The Bolivar County Associational Brotherhood will meet with the First Baptist Church, Cleveland, March 25, 7:30 p. m. Supper will be served. Rev. Barney Walker will be the main speaker. Mr. M. M. Beach is the Associational Brotherhood President.

BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

NEW BROTHERHOODS

We are listing below a number of Brotherhoods that have been organized the past few months. These Brotherhood organizations have been reported to our southwide office in Memphis and we are happy to report them through this column.

New Hebron Church, Lawrence Association was reorganized with J. B. Watkins, pastor and Joe F. Sharp, president.

Antioch Church, Greene, James Dunham, pastor, and Leon Turner, president.

Pine Level, Greene, W. F. Hart, pastor and Brice Turner, president.

Washington, Greene, T. R. Coulter, pastor and Jesse Hathorn, president.

Rolling Creek, Clarke, J. P. Gilbert, pastor and J. C. Williams, president.

Bethel, Grenada, A. C. Hurst, pastor and J. G. Jones, president.

Slayden, Marshall, W. K. Valentine, pastor and Edwin Boling, president.

Antioch, Lowndes, H. H. Crisman, pastor and J. C. Hardin, president.

Port Gibson, Union Association, was reorganized with A. A. Ward, pastor and A. E. Alderman, president.

Flag Lake, Tate, Brooks McMaster, pastor and M. O. Mufstatler, president.

Mt. Horeb, Covington, Joe D. Boutwell, pastor and Aubrey Guldridge, president.

County Line, Attala, A. R. Favre, pastor and Denver Rawson, president.

Mt. Vernon, Lauderdale, John L. Cook, Jr., pastor and J. Oscar Ellis, president.

First Church Richton, Perry, W. M. Averett, pastor and J. C. Ivey, president.

Carey Springs, Calhoun, B. R. Tutor, pastor and Kimble Bishop, president.

Sarepta, Calhoun, Billy Tutor, president.

Strengthenford, Wayne, O. R. Mosley, pastor and L. R. Sellers, president.

First Baptist in Oxford, Lafayette, Frank Moody Purser, pastor and R. T. Benton, president.

Tylertown, Walthall, Vernon May, pastor and R. M. Crawford, president.

Central Baptist Church, Lebanon Association, R. B. McGowen, president.

Sumner, Tallahatchie, H. R. Herington, pastor and Douglas McDonald, president.

Calhoun Church, Calhoun, C. H. Cutrell, pastor and N. L. Lackey, president.

Trinity Mission, Warren Association, Stonewall Jackson, president.

Parkway Chapel, Hinds Association, George Lassie, pastor and J. N. Chapman, president.

Union Hall, Lincoln, Edwin Burns, pastor and Henry Smith, president.

Mt. Zion, Pike, Henry Parker, pastor and J. J. Varnado, president.

Elrairie, Hinds Association, R. R. Newman, pastor and B. F. Williams, president.

Griffith, Hinds, L. N. Ferrell, pastor and J. H. Walker, president.

Calvary, Yazoo, J. N. Brister,

pastor and Allen Pugh, president.

Potts Camp, Tate Association, James L. Brown, pastor and W. H. Jordan, president.

New Prospect, Tishomingo, W. C. Yann, pastor and D. F. Frederick, president.

New Zion, Mississippi, C. O. Daniels, pastor and Stanley Deer, president.

Wachaw, Bolivar Assn., F. L. Warren, pastor and T. J. Holcomb, president.

Irene Chapel in Hattiesburg, Lebanon, Ray Roddin, pastor and C. B. Wigley, president.

Neville, Pike, Robert Hughes, pastor and Ray Deer, president.

East Starkville, Oktibbeha, C. H. Farnsworth, pastor and A. J. Ponder, president.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

March 17—Alcorn County Sunday School Campaign; Miss Sarah Chapman, House Mother, Baptist Orphanage.

March 18—Clyde Vinson, faculty, Blue Mountain College; Katherine Irwin, Secretary of State BSU Council.

March 19—J. T. Carter, faculty, Clarke College; Dr. Archie H. Germany, faculty, Mississippi College.

March 20—Miss Florence Lambert, staff, Woman's College; Rev. H. T. McLaurin, Newton Associational Missionary.

March 21—Royal B. Tennyson, Choctaw Associational Sunday School Superintendent; Mrs. B. F. Mott, District VI WMU Chairman.

March 22—M. L. Hallman, Warren Associational Training Union Director; Henry White, DeSoto Associational Brotherhood President.

March 23—Gladys Bryant, BSU Secretary for East Central Junior College; Dr. Wilbur Lawrence, Lauderdale County Board Member.

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W. M. U. Convention, March 25-27

First Baptist Church, Jackson

CONVENTION SPEAKER



MISS KATHLEEN MANLEY

Miss Manley is a nurse in Joinkrama, Nigeria, having served there since 1946. She is a native Tennessean, having graduated at Carson-Newman College. She has served in Nigeria since 1934. She is co-author of "Backside of Nowhere," a most readable book about the work in the "bush" of Africa.

The Convention begins Tuesday night March 25th, Dr. John L. Slaughter is the feature speaker for the opening session. He will speak concerning the Preaching Mission to Japan. Mrs. William McMurry, director of Mission Study for Woman's Missionary Union will speak on the theme of the Convention "Crown Him."

The Wednesday sessions will feature Mrs. McMurry, Mrs. N. H. Eudaly, Missionary to Mexico, Mr. Loyd Corder of the Home Mission Board, and Rev. C. E. Wilbanks, Director of Evangelism in Mississippi.

Wednesday night will be a most unusual feature, "The Continents Speak." The following continents will be represented:

China—Mrs. James D. Belote.
South America—Miss Georgia Mae Ogburn, Chile.
Africa—Miss Kathleen Manley, Nigeria.

North America—Mrs. N. H. Eudaly, Mexico.

Europe — Mrs. J. D. Franks, Switzerland (recorded.)

The Thursday morning session will feature Miss Manley and Rev. Corder. Each of the sessions will begin with a Worship service by a group of young people, these planned and under the supervision of Miss Nell Taylor, Young People's Secretary, and Mr. Joel Ray, Royal Ambassador Secretary.

ROOMS FOR W. M. U. CONVENTION

Miami, Fla., May 11-13, 1952
Those preferring rooms in private homes should apply as soon as possible to the committee. Rates will be the summer rate for rooms, \$3.00 a day and up. Write Mrs. Rex

B. Duckett, 1400 N. W. 30th Ave., Miami 35, Florida.

Rocky Creek Baptist Church in George Association reports concerning the study of Home Missions. I believe all will rejoice over such preparation and participation and results!

"We had such a fine mission study class in 'Crusade in Home Mission,' I feel you will be happy to hear about it. Mrs. Eubanks, our Mission Study Chairman and I talked, planned and made preparation for the study. Each Sunday for a month preceding the date of our study I made a different poster and placed in the church and one in each class room. We wanted not only our W. M. U. members but every woman in our community to know about our mission study class. With the aid of a pantograph I took small outlined pictures of our language and minority groups and enlarged them to a nice size on white poster board and one of our Int. G. A.'s painted them. These surely added to the spirit of missions. I wish you could have seen our room. We had a feeling that we were in the midst of missions! Standing in front of that fine group of 30 women, I could see from their faces what was taking place in their hearts as well as in mine; a heart of rededication and a determination to win someone to Christ.

Five out of the thirty who came had never attended a mission study class. Surely the Lord blessed our every effort and our prayers."

ROYAL AMBASSADORS

Joel Ray, Secretary
TWO IN ONE FAMILY



BOBBY LUTZ

Bobby Lutz, Biloxi, Miss., has received the key of an Ambassador Plenipotentiary from the State Royal Ambassador Secretary.

They are the sons of Deacon and Mrs. M. F. Lutz of the First Baptist Church, Biloxi. Both boys have Sunday school attendance records of over five years, both have played in the High School band and both attended district and state Royal Ambassadors Camps. Six years ago Bobby gave its name to the Royal Ambassador magazine, AMBASSADOR LIFE. They have been encouraged and assisted in their research for these ranks by their parents and the church staff.

Jordan Is Sidon Pastor

Rev. Robert L. Jordan has accepted the pastorate of the Sidon Church and the Mt. Olive Church in Carroll County. In order to accept these pastorates he resigned the Chester and Mt. Moriah churches in Choctaw county.

A church building was built, new classes organized and the unified budget system adopted during his pastorate at Mt. Moriah, Chester, also, has grown in all phases of the work.

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April Calendar Of Activities

March 31-April 25—District Sunday School Conference.

April 6-13—Training Union Youth Week

April 18-19—State Retreat for BSU Officers, East Central Junior College.

April 27-May 4—Regional Training Union Youth Rallies.

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Marshall County To Begin Mission Schools March 23

Four foreign missionaries and three home missionaries will be the featured speakers at the Marshall County Schools of Missions, March 23-28.

Cornerville, Potts Camp, Spring Hill, Holly Springs, New Harmony, Mt. Moriah, Red Banks, Byhalia, Coldwater, and Slayden churches are cooperating in the school.

The foreign missionaries are: R. A. Jacob, Franklin, Ky.; Miss Helen McCullah, Houston, Texas; and Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Harris, Clinton, Miss.

The home missionaries are: Salvador R. Rivera, Persall, Texas; Cecil R. Webb, Cloutierville, La.; and Sam Mayo, Oglethorpe, Ga.



MERLIN F. LUTZ, JR.

Merlin F. Lutz, Jr. of Biloxi became the first Ambassador Plenipotentiary on the Coast back in 1947. He was a member of the National Band Honor Society.

They are the sons of Deacon and Mrs. M. F. Lutz of the First Baptist Church, Biloxi. Both boys have Sunday school attendance records of over five years, both have played in the High School band and both attended district and state Royal Ambassadors Camps. Six years ago Bobby gave its name to the Royal Ambassador magazine, AMBASSADOR LIFE. They have been encouraged and assisted in their research for these ranks by their parents and the church staff.

IONE GRAY
Press Representative

FOREIGN
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M. Theron Rankin
Executive Secretary

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD MARKS \$680,000 FOR CAPITAL OUTLAY

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, at its February meeting, appropriated \$680,000 for overseas capital expenditures. The receipt of \$901,000 from Cooperative Program funds, over and above the Convention's 1951 budget, enabled the Board to release regular funds for capital expenditures. The capital funds are in addition to the \$316,706.14 set apart in January for the appointment of 100 new missionaries in 1952.

A brief summary shows where the capital funds will be used:

THE ORIENT

Formosa—Two church buildings and two missionary residences.

Hong Kong and Macao—Completion of Cheung Chow church building; repairs on Macao church building, erected many years ago; and class room building, Pooi Ching School, Hong Kong.

Indonesia—Two missionary residences in Java, where three Southern Baptist missionary men are already serving.

Malaya—Mission residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Belote of the China staff, who will soon be relocated in Malaya.

Japan—Church building and lots.

Philippine Islands—Car for missionary.

LATIN AMERICA

Argentina—Completion of the International Baptist Seminary, Buenos Aires, which will serve Argentina, Uruguay, Paraguay, Chile, and Bolivia. The February appropriation will complete the administration building and construct the boys' dormitory. The girls' dormitory has already been constructed.

Brazil—Equipment and supplies for the Baptist Publishing House, Rio de Janeiro, an institution employing 110 Brazilians and serving all of Brazil with a constituency of 100,000 church members; completion of the administration building of the Baptist Seminary in Rio de Janeiro, which serves all of South Brazil. A separate training school for young women has already been completed.

Colombia—Completion and equipping of the second unit of the 50-bed Baptist hospital in Barranquilla, a city of 200,000; and a small amount to complete a stone wall required by law to enclose extensive property of the Baptist Seminary, located at the edge of Cali, a city of 130,000 people.

Miscellaneous Items—A number of small appropriations were made which include such things as completion of mission homes, street paving for churches and mission homes (required by law), a portable organ, and mission automobiles.

AFRICA, EUROPE, AND THE NEAR EAST

Southern Rhodesia: Erection and equipping of a small hospital building at Sanyati.

Nigeria and the Gold Coast: Additional money for residences in Iwo, Joinkrama, Oshogbo, and Ka-

fanchan. Oshogbo is a railway and highway center of considerable size in which Southern Baptists have never had a missionary. It is expected that it will become the station in which new missionaries will receive courses in orientation. Kafanchan is located in Northern Nigeria; and this center will be the third in an area whose population is about 12,000,000.

Additional appropriations were made for the administration building and staff quarters for the Baptist seminary at Ogbomosho and for the administration building for the Baptist High School at Port Harcourt, the capital and principal city of the eastern division of Nigeria.

Spain: Small amounts were marked to aid the Second Baptist Church, Madrid, in purchasing property; to aid the Baptist people in Barceloneta, a section of Barcelona, provide quarters for worship; and the construction of a place of worship for the struggling group at Elche.

General Europe: Additional land for the Baptist Theological Seminary, Switzerland; a small amount to apply on the construction of a church building in Helsinki, Finland; and a small sum toward the erection of a Baptist seminary in Norway.

Lebanon: Additional amount for missionaries' residences and high school building and equipment in Beirut.

DON'T MISS THE STORY!

"With me, it was love at first sight," says Dr. Roland Q. Leavell. "With me, it was love before sight," says Pastor Takaji Mitsuhashi, Kobe, Japan. In an article entitled "My Alternate Heartbeat" in the April issue of The Commission, Dr. Roland Q. Leavell, a member of the 1951 Japan Preaching Mission, tells the story of this Japanese pastor whose family were destroyed by the first atomic bomb while he was serving the Japanese army in China. The story also tells of the intimate friendship formed by the American evangelist and the Japanese interpreter as hundreds of Japanese found Christ under their guidance.

The April issue of The Commission also carries a vivid article on Thailand, one of Southern Baptists' newest mission fields, by Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for missionary education and promotion for the Foreign Mission Board, who visited the country last summer. Young people and their leaders will find valuable help in an article by an American wife of a Chilean Congressman entitled, "It's a Matter of Conscience."

The Commission will come to you for an entire year for \$1.00. Write The Commission, Box 5148, Richmond 20, Va.

—BR—

A new Baptist Church has been organized in the old Robbs community of Pontotoc County, to be known as County Line Church, according to the Rev. Boyd LeCroy, County Missionary.

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Associate—Miss Joyce Whitten, Office Secretary; Miss. Louise Hill,
Director Intermediate and Young People's Work



LITTLE BILL SAYS

Mr. Usher, let me sit on the front
seat. Ya see, Youth Week begins today.

PLAN NOW FOR YOUTH WEEK IN YOUR CHURCH

Suggested date April 6, although
any suitable date may be used.

Dr. C. Oscar Johnson, pastor
Third Baptist Church, St. Louis,
Missouri, and Past President of
the Baptist World Alliance, says:
"No one program has done as much
as Youth Week in our church. For
many years now we have observed
it. It has brought into active ser-
vice more fine young people, who
have later developed into places
of leadership in the adult church
than any other one thing we
have done. I can commend this
program to any church where there
are young people who desire to
develop and grow in Christ's ser-
vice."

APRIL'S CLIMAX

Yes, we want every church to
observe Youth Week. Not an easy
program to put on. It takes a lot
of planning and hard work both
on the part of the older members
of the church and also the youth.
But it is worth the cost. Now to
climax a month devoted to Youth
Emphasis we will hold ten Youth
Rallies. They will be as follows:
Newton, April 21; Main St. Hatties-
burg, April 22; Van Winkle, Jack-
son, April 23; First, McComb, Ap-
ril 24; First, Natchez, April 25;
Durant, April 28; Indianola, April
28; Batesville, April 30; Blue Moun-

tain, May 1; First Starkville, May
2 Bring your Intermediates and
Young People. Come with them, it
will do you good. Every one is to
bring sandwiches, and we'll have a
jolly good time the first hour.

THE MINISTRY TO THE BLIND

Here is a suggested mission pro-
ject for your training union.

The Braille Evangel, P. O. Box
6001, Fort Worth 15, Texas, offers
materials and instructions for a
Training Union project. Write to
the above address and request the
mission package, which contains
study materials, outline of the sug-
gested project, and braille illus-
tration cards.

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH CALHOUN CITY

Under the leadership of Pastor
R. B. Hicks, and director Dan As-
ton, with the help of the Associa-
tional Training Union leadership,
Second Church Calhoun City had
a very successful study course
with an enrollment of 94 and aver-
age attendance of 67. The average
would have been much larger ex-
cept for a stormy night during the
week. Five classes were taught
with Rev. Elgin West, Rev. J. L.
Morgan, Miss Lydia Ellard, Mrs.
Frank Robbins, and Mrs. Ernest
Barton serving as the faculty. It
was pronounced as a most suc-
cessful week, fine spirit with grow-
ing interest, and as one member
expressed it "Like a mighty army
training union members march on
to higher ground."

—BR—

Francis B. Monti, of Shepherd's
Bush, London, England, passed
away recently. It is claimed that
he was the oldest active Baptist
pastor in Britain. He was 95 and
had been pastor of the Uxbridge
Road Baptist Tabernacle for sixty
years. He was for a number of
years the pastor of Donald F. Ack-
land, of the Sunday School Board,
and Mrs. Ackland.

—BR—

Dr. R. H. Spiro of the faculty of
Mississippi College will be the
speaker at the annual B. S. U.
Banquet at MSCW, Columbus, on
March 15.

WARBINGTON BAPTIZES OWN FATHER, BROTHER

Rev. C. L. Warbington, recently
ordained to the ministry by the
Calvary church in Pascagoula, had
the rare privilege of baptizing his
father, who is 73 years of age, and
his brother, 46 years of age, at his
first baptismal service.

The baptizing took place at the
Forest Church.

Mr. Warbington recently became
the pastor of the East Fork Church
in Amite county.

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Crosby Revival Closes; 10 Additions Reported

Rev. Howard H. Aultman, pastor
of the Holly Springs Church, led
in a revival at the Crosby Church,
Rev. Landrum Leavell, pastor.
The pastor led the singing. There
were 10 additions.

The Training Union attendance
record was broken with 109 pres-
ent. Bill Wilkinson is director of
the Training Union which was or-
ganized last September.

—BR—

Concord, Choctaw Co. Has Family Night Plan

Concord Church in Choctaw coun-
ty recently set up the Family Night
Plan. Mrs. J. W. Warrell, presi-
dent of the WMU; Ethel Turner,
president of the newly organized
Brotherhood; Mrs. J. W. Eubanks,
Jr., Sunbeam leader; Mrs. R. T.
Staples and Mrs. Eddie Staples,
G. A. leaders; and Mrs. L. M. Mc-
Clure, Royal Ambassador leader
are heads of the various organiza-
tions participating in the Family
Night program.

Dr. James H. Fairchild, pastor
of the First Church, Louisville is
the evangelist for the revival
March 2-9.

Rev. W. E. Palmer is pastor.

—BR—

Miss. College Has Champion Debaters

Mississippi College, Clinton and
Purdue University, Lafayette, In-
diana boasts the only undefeated
debate teams at the Magnolia
Speech Tournament held recently
at MSCW, Columbus. Seven col-
leges and universities participated
in the tournament. Mississippi Col-
lege won 10 excellent and su-
perior ratings.

Misses Carlene Brooks, Mem-
phis, and Marianne Shaw, Aber-
deen, composed the winning de-
bate team. Miss Dorothy Strong,
Jackson, was rated superior in
two entries—Discussion and Ex-
temporaneous Speaking.

Those receiving Excellent rat-
ings were: Melvya Landrum, Clin-
ton, and Carlene Brooks, Mem-
phis, Discussion; Martha Howing-
ton, Jackson and Carlene Brooks,
Extemporaneous Speaking; Car-
lene Brooks and Dorothy Strong,
Oral Interpretation; and Martha
Howington in Debate.

Professor and Mrs. Hollis Todd
of the Speech Department sponsor
the contestants and accompany
them on their debate tours.

Baptist Student Union

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PROF. STANLEY THAMES



REV. ROBERT WOODY

Pictured above are Prof. Stanley Thames, of Copiah-Lincoln Junior
College, and Rev. Robert Woody, Pastor of Lowrey Memorial Church,
Blue Mountain, who are State Faculty and Pastor Adviser, respectively,
and who will participate in the program of our State Retreat for BSU
Officers, meeting at East Central Junior College, Decatur, April 18-20.
Please remember them prayerfully.

POTPOURRI

Miss. College students gave
\$412.34 to the Lord's causes last
month . . . A large number of both
college and high school students
saw the film, "The Great Discov-
ery," recently shown at Pearl
River Jr. . . Miss State had 153,
including 52 from Blue Mtn., at its
recent banquet. BSU Sec'y Roy Is-
bell spoke at Vespers on campus,
First Church, was elected Assoc.
T. U. Director recently. One stu-
dent joining Starkville Church, 74
unsaved, five new volumes in BSU
library are reported . . . Ten Ole
Miss BSUs took part in the BTU
of an Oxford colored church, decid-
ed to invite colored group to visit
them . . . Some 220 Miss. Southern
students got up at 6:30 to attend re-
cent Youth-led Revival at Temple
Church, Hattiesburg . . . U. S.
Army Chaplain Parkes, Missionary
to China Auris Pender spoke dur-
ing Woman's College Vocational
Emphasis Wk. The recent Y. W. A.
Houseparty is reported to have
been a great success . . . Had
great privilege of hearing Elton
Trueblood at Millsaps, Charles P.
Taft at service club recently . . .
Two were converted, one joined
Decatur Church from E. Central
Jr. last month. Unsaved now num-
ber 21 . . .

—BR—

The \$900,000 the Foreign Mis-
sion Board received through the
Cooperative Program during the
latter weeks of 1951 will provide
\$600,000 for urgent capital needs,
as well as make possible 100 mis-
sionary appointments in 1952.

Hear The Baptist Hour

Rev. Charles Wellborn will be
the speaker on the Baptist Hour
program on Sunday, March 16.

The following stations in Missis-
sippi and Memphis, Tennessee,
carry the Baptist Hour program:

WJMB, Brookhaven, 1:30 p. m.;
WCLD, Cleveland, 1:00 p. m.;
WACR, Columbus, 2:30 p. m.;
WJPR, Greenville, 6:00 p. m.;
WFOR, Hattiesburg, 1:30 p. m.;
WMBC, Macon, 2:30 p. m.; WAPF,
McComb, 9:00 a. m.; WCOC, Me-
ridian, 3:30 p. m.; WHBQ, Mem-
phis, 9:00 p. m.

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PRINCE SERVES TIPPAN COUNTY AS MISSIONARY

Tippah County Association is
joining the growing ranks of asso-
ciations with Associational Mission
programs and has secured Rev.
W. R. Prince of Chalybeate as mis-
sionary on a half-time basis.

Mr. Prince is pastor of the Cha-
lybeate church and will continue
to serve this church along with his
missionary duties.

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MUSIC LEADERSHIP
SCHOOL COMING

A beautiful poster giving broad information about the Music Leadership School to be held at Mississippi College next August 4 through 8 will be mailed within the next few days to each pastor and music director in the state. The poster has an aerial view of Mississippi College in the center, and is attractively arranged to be placed on the bulletin board of the church.

The faculty of the Leadership School will be much larger this year than 1951, and Dr. J. Campbell Wray, Director of the School of Music, Southwestern Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas will be back with us to serve as Dean, and Director of Choral Work. New courses will be added to make a well rounded course of study in music. The approximate cost will be \$12.50 for the week, and this will include a package of music for all who register. There will not be an advance registration fee, but all who desire room reservation in the college dormitory will register with the Music Department, Box 530, Jackson. More than 400 are expected to register for this school

this year. Write for further information.

MUSIC SCHOOLS ARE IN
PROGRESS

Information regarding local church music schools along with recommended music teachers may be secured from the Church Music Department, Box 530, Jackson. It is the desire of the Department to assist in every way possible in securing good teachers for these schools, and pastors and churches desiring such help are requested to write for a list of recommendations, and a package of "Request For Award" blanks. Credit may be secured for all who qualify in these schools provided one of the text books on the "Course of Study" recommended by the Music Department of the Sunday School Board is used, and a standard hymnal recognized by the State Music Department is used during the school for all congregational singing. Boys and girls ages 9 through 14 will receive a "Certificate of Merit" and all 15 years and above will receive the seal toward the Church Music Diploma.

Berwick Cashes Bonds
For Cooperative Program

The Berwick Church in the Mississippi Association recently decided to cash what bonds it had on hand—value \$538.20—and send the amount to the Cooperative Program.

"This amount is in addition to our regular 50 per cent pledge to the Cooperative Program," writes Mrs. F. D. Robertson, treasurer of the church in her letter to J. E. Lane, treasurer of the Convention Board, Jackson.

Rev. Landrum Leavell is pastor of this church.

50, 40 & 25
Years Ago

By Rev. J. L. Boyd, Sr.
40 YEARS AGO—

Rev. T. W. Green, former student at Mississippi College, supplied the Clinton Baptist Church on a recent Sunday, presenting the cause of the Baptist Hospital and taking a collection for the institution, assisting Rev. J. N. McMillin, the financial secretary.

25 YEARS AGO—

Pastor L. D. Posey of Ita Bena writes of their revival during which nine were received for baptism, and four by letter. Rev. E. J. Caswell of Greenwood did the preaching and choir directress, Mrs. E. T. Heard and organist, Mrs. W. F. Townsend, had charge of the music and leading the singing.

A diploma from the University of Mississippi of the year 1851 given to Jacobus Jones Quarles, said to be the first issued by the University, was returned to his son after having been in the hands of a Federal soldier for 64 years.

East Columbia Increases
Percentage For Missions

The East Columbia Church, under the leadership of their pastor Rev. Curtis I. Miller, and the response of the people, is making substantial progress along several lines.

Three new deacons have been elected, bringing the total to nine, and the rotation system of electing deacons has been installed.

The church is considering the erection of a new building to take care of its expanding program.

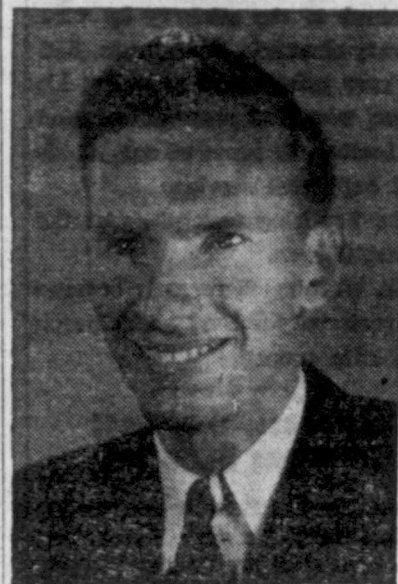
The church has increased its percentage to the Cooperative Program for 1952 by 50 per cent over last year. Total offerings have increased one-third since last October.

Bay Springs Increases
Mission Budget

The Bay Springs Church, Rev. A. L. Gatewood, pastor, is currently taking several progressive steps that are worthy of note.

This year's church budget is 50-50—50 per cent for local causes and 50 per cent to missions, which is a 10 per cent increase for missions over last year. One half of their mission budget for this year will be given through the Cooperative Program with the other one-half going through designated causes.

The church had adopted plans for a Youth Activity Building to add to the facilities for youth work in the community. The proposed building will harmonize in style and architecture with the present building and will house the following units: recreation room, banquet room, kitchen, library, nursery, beginner and primary departments, facilities for kindergarten, church offices, and three rooms for youth hobbies.

Joe Walters Gives
Voice Recital

JOE WALTERS

A senior at Southwestern Seminary, Joe Walters, of Hattiesburg, was recently presented in his senior recital at Cowden Hall. He was accompanied by his wife. He has served a Fort Worth choir as tenor soloist and the First Church of Jacksboro, Texas as Minister of Music and Education.

Presently he is Minister of Music and associate pastor at Irving First Baptist. He will graduate in May.

Mr. and Mrs. Walters, nee Ruthalee Williams, have a daughter, Lawanda, who is two and one-half years old.

Miss. Baptist Seminary
Establishes New Center

A new center for the Mississippi Baptist Seminary for Negroes has been established in Kosciusko and first classes were conducted there on February 19.

The classes are held in Mississippi Central College and meet each Tuesday night. The teachers are Rev. A. B. Pierce, pastor of First Church, Kosciusko, and Rev. Kenneth G. Hall, Associational Missionary for Attala County.

Both laymen and preachers attend, and more than 100 were present for the opening session.

Seminary Extension
Enrollment Reaches
Near Four Hundred

JACKSON, Miss.—(BP)—Enrollment in the Extension Department of Southern Baptist Seminaries lacked only a few reaching 400 in the last report, according to Lee Gallman, director.

Three extension centers in Murphy and North Wilkesboro, North Carolina, and Evansville, Indiana, have been established since January 1, Gallman said. They include regular class work in Bible, religious education, homiletics and other extension courses.

The Department, created last July, offers extension work in connection with all Southern Baptist seminaries. The offices are located in Jackson.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary
MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary
MISS MARTHA CAROLYN WELLS, Office Secretary
PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate Secretary

IT'S CONFERENCE TIME
AGAIN

Yes, sir, the time is getting close now for our twenty district Sunday School conferences. We had such a fine time last year meeting with people from more than 300 churches in the short time of these twenty days. We want to have the same privilege this year.

The purpose of these conferences is to study and plan together with Sunday school leaders over the state as to how best make this year a greater one than any we have ever had in building bigger and better Sunday schools. No school ever reaches perfection, so we need to keep on thinking and planning for improvement.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND THESE
CONFERENCES?

Pastors, superintendents, department officers, teachers, associational superintendents and missionaries, and others. We want to reach all that we can with the message of Bible teaching for all the people. So, plan to attend the conference that is most convenient.

HERE IS THE PROGRAM

9:45—Devotional
10:00—Building Better Sunday Schools
10:30—Vacation Bible Schools, Including Opening Worship Program Demonstration
11:15—Lessons Along the Way
11:55—Announcements
12:00—Lunch
1:00—Devotional
1:15—Department (Age - Group) Conferences
2:45—This Year's Program
3:15—Adjourn

THE SCHEDULE

And here is the schedule of dates and meeting places:

Time Place
March 31—Collins
April 1—Stonewall
April 2—Richton
April 3—Ocean Springs
April 4—Poplarville, First
April 7—Lexington
April 8—Carthage
April 9—Union
April 10—Shady Grove (2 miles east of Hazlehurst, on Highway 20)
April 11—Liberty
April 14—Rolling Fork

April 15—Boyle
April 16—Marks
April 17—Hernando
April 18—Water Valley
April 21—DeKalb
April 22—Eupora
April 23—Ripley
April 24—Houlka
April 25—Sherman

Lunch will be served by the host churches. We are most grateful to these twenty churches where we shall meet for this kindness, and also for the privilege of meeting with them and their people.

Brother Superintendent, here is an opportunity for you to help your own school by getting as many of your workers as possible to attend the conference that is most convenient. Tell them about it, urge them to attend, attend with them, and make plans for transportation for any who want to go and do not have a way to get there. Thanks.

MARCH 30 IS MISSIONS DAY

The last Sunday in March every year is Home and Foreign Missions Day in the Sunday School.

That day this year is March 30. The idea is twofold: To inform our people about the Home and Foreign Missions program and work, and also to give the people an opportunity to make a special offering for the work of these two great Boards.

The Sunday School Board mails a package of free materials to all superintendents, and from which valuable information can be secured and suggestions for presentation to the people on March 30.

Also, the same program is given on pages 16 and 17 of the March issue of the Sunday School Builder.

So, plan for a great day on March 30 in the study of the great work of Home and Foreign Missions, and thus enable your people to be better informed along this line also. We do no more than we know. Help them to know more and they will do more.

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About Skin Itch

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H. D. Bruce, President

Thursday, March 13, 1952

SUNDAY SCHOOL
AND TRAINING UNION
ATTENDANCE

March 9, 1952

Bram (Hinds Co.)	153	106
Richland (Rankin Co.)	155	85
Pearl City (Rankin Co.)	83	107
Jackson, Daniel	491	217
Memorial	75	59
Jackson, Leavellwoods	1467	460
Jackson, First	1325	417
Main Church	142	43
Broadmoor Chapel	567	382
Jackson, Crestwood	559	146
Jackson, Northside	366	183
Jackson, Southside	1366	362
Jackson, Calvary	1300	313
Main Church	66	49
Calvary Mission	888	409
Jackson, Parkway	142	115
Parkway Chapel	223	133
Paul Truitt (Rankin Co.)	964	314
Hattiesburg, Main St.	534	164
Laurel, First	398	99
Laurel, Second Ave.	559	217
Meridian, Fifteenth Ave.	47	42
Santa Rosa	152	63
Coffeeville	93	50
Sandersville	309	101
Charleston, First	778	308
Pascagoula, First	628	207
Main Church	34	29
McArthur Mission	56	24
Jackson Ave. Mission	43	48
Orange Grove Mis.	17	37
River View Mission	23	93
Lowrey Creek (Jones Co.)	82	68
Friendship (Lincoln Co.)	143	119
Yazoo City, Calvary	291	30
Lucedale	179	116
Grace Memorial	143	68
(Harrison Co.)	132	107
Bethlehem (Jones Co.)	111	40
Harmony (Jones Co.)	38	87
New Hope (Marion Co.)	176	235
Bethel (Amite Co.)	795	150
Woodville	540	63
Clarksdale	142	96
Picayune, First	182	68
Mt. Zion (Lincoln Co.)	76	76
Pearlhaven (Lincoln Co.)	120	59
Bogue Chitto (Pike Co.)	162	301
Wheeler (Prentiss Co.)	507	121
Laurel, Highland	430	74
Newton	19	104
Laurel, West	266	86
Mission	193	77
McComb, South	218	104
McComb, Friendship	105	55
Handsboro	162	247
Harperville	75	40
Center Ridge (Yazoo Co.)	849	109
Fair River (Lincoln Co.)	65	135
Chester (Choctaw Co.)	125	202
Gulfport, First	335	339
Louisville, East	373	230
Winona	553	63
McComb East	889	46
Hattiesburg, Temple	742	
Brookhaven, First	99	
Main Church	48	
Hamilton		
Southway		

March 2, 1952

Meridian, Oakland Hts.	182	36
Woodland (Pontotoc Co.)	49	
Mantee	125	
Newton	508	290
Antioch (Neshoba Co.)	66	44
Good Hope (Perry Co.)	103	105
Louisville, First	429	126
Moak's Creek		
(Lincoln Co.)	150	86
Friendship (Lincoln Co.)	84	54
Brookhaven, First	830	324
Main Church	688	220
Hamilton	96	56
Southway	46	48
Meridian, Fifteenth Ave.	513	210
Union (Alcorn Co.)	99	90
Fair River (Lincoln Co.)	85	50
Gulfport, Grace Mem.	178	34

Pastors' Meeting . .

(Continued from Page 1)
be Tuesday morning's discussions by James R. Butler, Alabama; Ernest Loessner, Texas; John Huss, South Carolina; Allen Graves, Oklahoma; R. E. Humphrey, Kentucky; James L. Sullivan, Texas, and Robert G. Lee, Tennessee.

On Tuesday afternoon the pastors will hear H. R. Clause, Maryland; S. A. Newman, Texas; W. Douglas Hudgins, Mississippi, and W. A. Crisell, Texas. An open forum for all pastors will close the afternoon session.

Tuesday night the closing session will include Wilson L. Atkins, New Mexico; Paul B. Leath, Georgia; Paul Caudill, Tennessee; C. Oscar Johnson, Missouri, and the Broadman stewardship film, "How Much."

—BR—

Flight From Red . . .

(Continued from Page 1)
Though anti-American propaganda spewed out day and night, the people still liked the missionaries and welcomed them. For two-thirds of a year they labored under the delusion that their work would continue under the Red regime.

Saw Handwriting on Wall

But when the Chinese Reds moved into the Korean conflict in November 1950, Cole saw the handwriting on the wall. He remembered how they had been ordered to register that month as enemy aliens, then politely told not to leave the city limits. Although still able to visit people, pass out tracts and hold meetings, he found these ministries soon coming to an end. They were not forbidden, but because of stepped-up propaganda which reached new heights of vituperation he became a spy suspect. Because it was dangerous to have anything to do with Americans, the people began staying away from chapel when the missionaries came. Obviously, the missionaries were to blame. When they stayed away from the service, the crowds came back bigger than before.

Similar reaction set in after visitation by missionaries. To call on people placed them under suspicion, for no sooner would the missionaries leave than visitors would come to ask pointed questions. Realizing that their work was over, they had made application to the local government and to the Police Department for exit permits just three weeks after their fourth baby was born on Dec. 21.

He also recalled how things had gone on as usual until early on the morning of Jan. 16 when the Communists had paid them a visit, ordering them out of bed. After a thorough inspection, they had sealed up the five rooms which contained their clothes, books and money. To break the paper over the door meant death.

For more than two months they had no money. They received no mail, nor could they send or receive telegrams.

One fellow gave the proceeds from twelve bushels of rice to Cole so he could buy vegetables. He hoped Cole would reimburse him some day but had no guarantee that he could. Said the Christians, "You eat as long as we eat."

Cole had written a Chinese Com-

Leads Macedonia Revival



DR. CLAY I. HUDSON

Dr. Clay I. Hudson (above) will be the evangelist during the spring revival at Macedonia Church in Lincoln County April 6-11. Dr. Hudson, of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, will also be the speaker at the associational Sunday School meeting at Pearlhaven in the afternoon, April 6. According to Rev. W. A. Talbert, Prof. Carney E. Smith, of Lincoln county, will lead the singing during the revival.

munist for permission to go home. To another Communist, he complained that their money had been locked up and asked if foreigners were to be starved. Both letters were sent by registered mail, but no answers came. Then Cole recalled how on March 26 soldiers had arrived to take the seal off, releasing their possessions and money.

And now as he strode through town, reviewing these events, leading the awkwardly puffing soldier a merry chase, he wondered what his fate would be when he reached the police station.

On arrival, he was given some forms to fill out, not only for himself, but for the other missionaries in town. Suddenly it dawned on him: These are exit permits! The letters were not in vain! Soon we'll be on our way to freedom!

But his first burst of inward joy came to a halt when he thought of the obstacles. To begin with, it was a 1,500-mile trip to Hong Kong. The first 400 miles were overland and through mountainous, rugged country, including three passes, one over 10,000 feet high in the clouds. This journey would not be easy with a wife and four little children, ranging from seven year old Georgie to nursing, five month old Ruthie. Besides the rainy season had started making some roads and streams impassable. The Reds had picked the worst time to grant travel permission.

The Communists demanded the almost impossible from the start. Though it was five o'clock in the evening when they handed Cole the exit forms, they ordered the missionaries to fill them out in Chinese that evening. They also demanded that their pictures be taken, developed and returned along with the forms before the end of the day.

Next evening they called the missionaries again, giving them three days to leave town. Included was an order to have potse rspirnted

an order to have posters printed according to specification and strung up around town by ten next morning, stating, "We are given permission to go home. If anyone has anything to collect, come and get it as in three days we shall be gone."

They also had the exasperating task of making a detailed list of what they were taking. The police forced them to make several changes, making it necessary for the women to do the packing while the men ran back and forth to the police station.

After three hectic days, on May 29, they were all set to go. Saying goodbye to the native Christians was harder than bidding farewell to their own flesh and blood in America four years before. They had left with the anticipation of returning to America but knew they would never see the Chinese believers again. The members of the church and their families risked their lives by coming to the compound to see us off.

The missionary party totaled twelve—two couples, two ladies and six children. Thirty seven carriers were hired to transport the people and baggage. The women and children rode in hwagans, constructed of two bamboo poles with a hammock in the middle. The babies had two little beds tied together and slung between bamboo poles. For the first 123 miles, which took five days to cover, the men took turns riding one bike. This they traded at Sichang for horses.

First night out, they received what they felt was a token of God's approval of their ministry at Hweili. Coming into a little town hot, tired, discouraged, they wondered where they would stay. Finding an inn, they heard the man at the desk say, "Things are crowded."

Cole looked around and knew the desk-clerk was right. Horses, pigs, chickens and filthy people. He commented, "Far nicer to sleep with cows than with unwashed humanity!"

They washed, ate, had devotions and crawled in for the night. Suddenly they heard a voice below. Looking through the cracks in the floor, they could see the light of a candle. The voice began reading the New Testament in Chinese. Then the voice prayed, oblivious to listening ears on the floor above. It prayed for the missionaries on the trip, calling them by name, then remembering the folks back at Hweili. Another voice prayed. Then the candle was snuffed.

God Was Their Leader

As he lay in the darkness, Cole realized what had happened. The Lord had given him a private peek into the lives of two Christians from Hweili, one in his late teens and the other in his early twenties, young men who a year before had not yet heard the Gospel. Cole's prayer of thanks welled up. "Lord, if there were no other fruits than these two young men, it has been worth everything!" These native Christians traveled with the missionaries for seventeen days until they completed their difficult overland trip. Each night they would search the neighborhood to find food and shelter.

The rainy season invariably be-



gins in May, a few days before the missionaries started their trip. But for the first five days, the time it took to make Sichang, it didn't rain once.

Waiting six days in Sichang, they saw the rain come down in cloudbursts the last three days, just as it should have rained during the entire rainy season. On Sunday the Communists informed them they had to leave Monday morning. All day torrents poured down. When they gathered at night to sing and pray, the question came, "Lord, how can we possibly go?"

On into the night it rained, but when morning came it had stopped. Opening the door, they saw clouds loaded with rain. But it didn't rain Monday, nor Tuesday, nor for over a week. In fact, for the seventeen days they were on the road in west China's rainy season, it didn't rain once, except for a five-minute shower which served to settle the dust. When this lack of rain was related to China Inland missionaries in America, they could hardly believe it.

This was only half of the weather miracle. If the sky had been clear during the twelve traveling days from Sichang to Yaan as it had been from Hweili to Sichang, the hot sun beating down would have made conditions unbearable for the prevailing south wind didn't blow during that period. Rain clouds, which should have poured down water, were left in the sky to shelter the travelers from the sun's relentless rays. Again, they had perfect traveling weather.

Eight days after leaving Sichang, they came to Fulin. Played out after climbing two mountain passes, both over 7,000 feet, they decided to stay over a day and rest in the quiet quarters of the French Catholic mission. Next morning Cole's wife, Hannah, complained of a headache.

The young couple had been happy, dreaming of America. Four days before, they had celebrated their wedding anniversary. Now, as they walked hand in hand over one of the high passes, Cole assured his weary wife, "Don't worry, honey. Just remember each step is one step nearer home."

The morning after first mentioning the headache, she registered a slight fever. Then came chills. The symptoms spelled malaria.

When she didn't awaken next morning, everything humanly possible was done. The priest, who put everything at the Catholic mission at their disposal, gave her a shot of camphor to try and bring her out of the coma. That didn't work.

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Flight from Reds . . .

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Then he suggested penicillin, since there had been a lot of meningitis around. From four in the afternoon till two next morning, four shots were given. Knelling by her cot in the early morning hours, Cole noticed she seemed to breathe more easily and prayed that the Lord would heal her.

"Not My will, But Thine"

The Lord seemed to remind him of Gethsemane: "Not my will, but thine, be done." Shortly after four in the morning, the nurse called Cole to tell him Hannah had passed away quietly. On her face was a lovely smile.

After much ado by the police, they granted permission to bury her. The same evening, shortly after seven, a simple service was held by a shallow grave.

Next day they started again, the nurse taking over the care of five-month-old Ruthie. On June 23rd, four days after Hannah Cole's homegoing, they reached Yaan. There application had to be made for the actual permit to leave China for the actual permit to leave China. They thought this would take two or three days—the less time the better under the circumstances. But because of more red tape, an almost unbearable ten days were spent in Yaan with its poor food, dirty surroundings and plenty of bugs.

Cole cried, "Lord, get us out of this place!" But the Lord had a purpose in the delay.

From Yaan to Chengtu, next stop was a one-day trip by bus. Regular procedure called for questioning on the evening of arrival, then mandatory departure the following morning on the next lap, a two and a half day trip by bus and truck. However, once a week, a plane flew out of Chengtu at an indefinite time. If a traveler happened to be leaving Chengtu on the day the plane was flying, he could take the flight. Otherwise he had to go by bus, since waiting for the plane was not allowed.

The missionaries left Yaan on July 3rd, arriving in Chengtu that evening. They learned the plane was flying next morning. The flight to Chungking, which took only one and a half hours, saved them two and a half days of uncomfortable, bumpy riding over dusty roads. This explained the unpleasant delay back in Yaan.

Before leaving Chengtu, Cole wired ahead to Chungking to make reservations on the plane flying on July 10th to Hankow, their next stop. They were informed no seats were available for this six hour flight. He had unhappy thoughts of an inconvenient four-day journey by river boat. When the missionary band arrived in Chengtu, they were scarcely settled in the China Inland Mission compound when the air office downtown sent a message: "We have enough room for Cole, four children and nurse."

At Hankow they tried to get Pullman reservations for a two-night train ride but all berths were sold old. Almost groaning, Cole reminded himself of the Lord's goodness all along the way. So, holding back the moan, he waited to see the Lord's providence.

"What else do you have?" Cole

asked the ticket agent.

"We have hard seat express and soft seat express."

Cole ordered soft. Had he known conditions in advance, this is exactly what he would have wanted. For Chinese berths, unlike American Pullmans, are built stationary across the train, narrow and hot and cramped. All berths had been bought by Russians. They spent miserable hours marching up and down the aisles, shirts off, mopping their brows and singing the Internationale, trying to get joy in their miseries.

The soft seat coach was ideal, for each child had a whole seat to sleep on every night. The car was only half full, giving the children the run of the coach in the day. Windows were open, making it cool, airy and clean. The Communists, careful of their railroads, sent a man through every few minutes to sweep out every piece of paper.

Reaching Canton, they stayed overnight and then boarded another train for the final four-hour ride to the border. There they had their final inspection of baggage and papers. This made the twenty-third separate examination in the 1,500-mile trip from the interior. During inspection, each article was taken from the suitcase, squeezed, opened up, and dropped in a heap. Every suitcase was opened. Then came the command, "You can put it back and get out of here." Trying to repack twenty three times was a painstaking job. By this time Cole had lost twenty pounds.

To Bring You up to Date

Before the end of July, Cole and his children were flown home to America. Two of the children are now with his parents in Portland, Maine, and the other two with Hannah's sister in Philadelphia.

Cole has no definite plans for the future. At present, he is in top demand by churches to relate his experience. Whenever he does, he invariably states that he wishes he were going back to China, for his work wasn't done and the need is great. Although this is not now possible, Cole always challenges his hearers with a burden for prayer. To the ministry of intercession, the doors of China can never be closed.

The Last Mile

At last, the red tape, was passed. As they began the last mile, they wondered if they would make it. Others, they knew, had been stopped a few yards from British territory.

The last mile consisted of a railroad bridge linking Communist China with the British colony of Hong Kong. Halfway across the bridge was a barbed-wire barricade with a narrow passage in between. One side was guarded by Communist soldiers in bedraggled uniforms. Guards on the other side were tall, handsome M. P.'s, sportlessly clad.

They reached the barricade. The nurse, with the baby in one arm and suitcase in the other, went first. Georgie and Beth went next. Then came Cole, carrying two-year-old Gary and baggage. They handed their permits to the guard then walked by him. The air seemed different. It smelt different, tasted different. They could

38th Avenue Church Institutes Program of Missionary Activities

The Thirty-Eighth Avenue Church in Hattisburg has instituted a program of missionary activities that is bearing unusual results in the church.

One phase of the work includes regular Sunday afternoon services in the Forrest county jail. Three conversions have been reported and one home restored as a result of these services, as well as blessings to the ones who participate.

As another part of the missionary program the pastor, Rev. V. C. Windham, preaches each Saturday on the court house lawn with city and county officials cooperating.

Still another feature includes preaching services in the Forrest County Old Folks' Home, with splendid results.

This program is carried out under sponsorship of the Practical Activities Committee of the church, the chairman of which is M. G. Edwards, Jr.

The pastor reports that the church membership is participating actively in the program and that the church hopes to have a mission Sunday School soon.

Since October 1, 1951, 50 additions to the church have been recorded, 22 for baptism. Two young people have dedicated their lives for definite Christian service and a number of rededications have been made.

Contributions regularly exceed the budget and the building debt is being retired ahead of schedule. Two lots adjacent to the church property have been purchased for parking space.

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Brotherhood Secretary In Serious Car Wreck

Minden, La. (BP) Roy F. Sutton, secretary of the Baptist Brotherhood and Baptist Foundation in New Mexico, and Mrs. Sutton are in a Minden hospital, both critically injured in a car wreck near Minden late in February.

At the time of the accident, they were on the way to New Orleans to attend the annual meeting of the state Baptist Foundation secretaries.

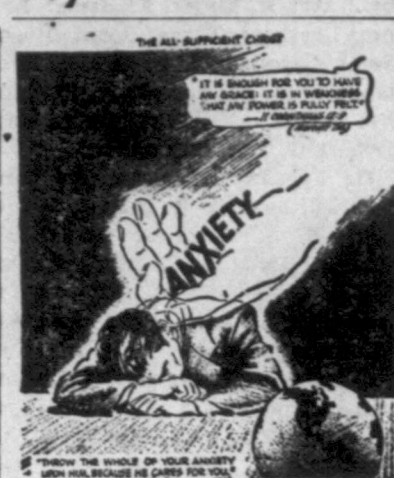
At last reports, the doctors offered no hope for Mrs. Sutton's recovery. He is given a chance to live.

Sutton has been New Mexico secretary only a short time, coming from the vice presidency of Grand Canyon College, Phoenix, Arizona.

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Stir Up The Gift (\$2.00) contains the Bob Jones University Lectures on Evangelism for 1951. The book is by Paul S. Rees and is published by the Zondervan Publishing Company, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Among the chapters in this book are: An Evangelistic Approach To Church History, Illusions and Insights, The Rediscovery of Sin, The Re-emergence of the Witnessing Congregation, The Re-Validation of the Sermon. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from the publishers.

speak again, think again, breathe again, go anywhere they wanted. They had stepped over to freedom.

**ATTENTION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION WORKERS!**

J. M. PRICE

During the past two world wars the vocation of religious education has been almost wiped out because the workers in this field had no status. We are facing something of the same thing during the present emergency. Already several of our Seminary students have had to drop out and go into the armed services.

Fortunately we now have a procedure by which such vocational workers may be given the same status as preachers. The Southern Baptist Convention in session at St. Louis in 1947 passed a resolution formally recognizing religious education as a vocation and suggesting that the churches officially certify to the Secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention those who feel called to this work and purpose to devote their lives to it.

Recently Dr. Alfred Carpenter of the Home Mission Board has been asked to represent Southern Baptists in presenting mooted cases before the National Headquarters of the Selective Service System in Washington just as Lutherans and Catholics have official representatives to present the cases of their lay religious-educational workers before that board.

The procedure is as follows: (1) Provide a brief personal statement giving date of conversion, baptism, committal to the work, with educational background, present activity, and future plans. (2) Have the local church furnish a certified statement showing the individual's call to and dedication to the ministry of religious education as a lifework. (3) Have the college or seminary provide a statement showing that the person is pre-enrolled or is already enrolled and is pursuing a satisfactory course of study.

After the above is done, get photostatic copies of these three documents; and send a copy of them to Dr. Alfred Carpenter, Baptist Home Mission Board, 161 Spring Street, N. W., Atlanta, 3, Georgia. Also give copies of them to the local draft board when request is made for IV-D classification. In case the local board turns it down, appeal to the state and national boards. Dr. Carpenter will represent each contested case before the national board.

By following the above procedure and getting at it early enough, it is felt that this vocation can be protected. Those not in school or plan-

Herring Named President Of Grand Canyon College

PHOENIX, Ariz. (BP) Dr. Benjamin O. Herring, for six years president of Golden Gate Baptist Seminary in Berkeley, California, and who recently resigned that position, has been elected new president of Grand Canyon College in Phoenix.

If he accepts the presidency, will succeed Leroy Smith who resigned recently to enter other work with the state Baptist headquarters also in Phoenix. The election is effective April 1, according to recent announcement by the chairman of the board of trustees, Vernon E. Shipp.

ning to attend school should follow the same general plan except to schoolwork. Being employed by a church and drawing one's income from the employment will help. Trust that this vocation will not suffer as it has in the past two wars.

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Seminary Grads. Are Ready To Return Home

Mississippi Churches should give prayerful consideration to Mississippians who are graduating at seminaries at the coming commencement exercises. Mr. Hark Peterson, student counselor at the Southern Seminary, Louisville, has forwarded information on three students.

Miller Lee Ferrell of Greenville, who has an A. B. degree from Mississippi College is graduating with the B. D. degree. He is interested in becoming a youth director or as a minister of young people's work. Mrs. Ferrell also has an A. B. degree and has taken courses at the W. M. U. Training School.

Frank Hughes Thomas of Vicksburg also has an A. B. degree and is graduating with the B. D. degree at the seminary. He has had three and one-half years of pastoral experience and is interested in work as a teacher of religion in a college, the pastorate, or in religious journalism. Mrs. Thomas has had experience as a W. M. U. worker and also as a Junior Training Union leader.

Henry G. West, Jr., is graduating with the B. D. degree. He has had six years of experience and was reared in a preacher's home. His father is Rev. H. G. West, Sr., of Ecru. He is interested in a Mississippi pastorate.

Inquiries should be addressed to Hugh Peterson, c/o Southern Baptist Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky.

Thursday, March 13, 1952

Sunday School Lesson

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Prepared by Dr. L. Bracey Campbell
For March 6

TIMOTHY, A Dependable Follower (Temperance)

Bible Texts: Acts 16:1-3; Philippians 2:19-24; II Timothy 2:1-5.

I. Timothy in All Probability A Convert of Paul

On Paul's second missionary journey, he came to Lystra where he had been stoned on the occasion of his first journey. In Lystra on his second missionary journey, he discovered in a young man named Timothy, a promising helper of unusual ability. This man was of mixed parentage; his father, a Greek, his mother a Jewess. She bred her son in the Jews religion, to which course his father evidently raised no objection. With this Jewish cultural background, young Timothy could hear the gospel as Paul preached it, and understand and receive it. This he did, indubitably, and became a Christian along with his mother and grandmother.

Either at that time or on the occasion of his second visit to Lystra he sprang up between old Paul and young Timothy a case of the rare and beautiful friendship between an old man and a young one. Paul advised the induced young Timothy to submit himself to an inconvenient and rather painful rite, not because there was any sacramental virtue in it, but because, there being no principle at stake, he might by this act of conformity to Jewish tradition, forestall bitter criticism of both himself and Timothy by the Jews and Jewish Christians in the regions about Lystra.

II. Timothy in Paul's Confidence

(Philippians 2:19). In this verse, Paul tells his Philippian friends that he is sending them his young friend Timothy to represent to them both the Lord Jesus and himself. This was not at all a case where Paul must send Timothy or nobody. There were others he might have conceivably sent, but Paul, from among these available to him as messengers, sent young Timothy as the one most likely fairly to represent both the Lord and Paul. The extent and character of Paul's feeling for Timothy tell us just about all of Timothy's standing with Paul. And his knowledge of this standing must have been a matter of great encouragement to Timothy. I know of nothing more capable of consoling and encouraging a loyal heart than the knowledge that his superiors have confidence in him. Happy is the lad who knows he has the confidence of his dad. Happy is anyone of real worth who realizes that those depend upon him and have at any time special need of him believe that he will somehow under God find answer to their need.

Paul wanted a man to do a difficult thing, to make the arduous journey all the way to Philippi from the prison house in Rome.

This was beyond doubt the Paul had to assign to anyone just then. This matter of his being selected for the tiresome journey was a decided compliment to Timothy.

Anybody can do the easy thing, walk the smooth way where there is no load to carry, speak the soothing word where eager ears are tuned to hear. The weakling can do that! But where the burden is heavy and the road is rough, across the slough of despond along an uneven and rocky trail, over mountains rugged where the avalanche threatens, where the blue glacier opens his hideous frozen jaws to gulf and swallow the unwary climber, and where the mountain lion lies in wait beside the traveler's trail, or where robbers crouch behind the boulders to pounce upon the passerby, it takes courage and faith and patience and stamina to undertake a journey.

Paul needed Timothy! None of us lives without a similar need. From the smallest to the largest of us we are dependent upon others. But yesterday I saw a young mother holding a toddler by the hand while his elder brother held the toddler's other hand, and the two helpers were assisting the toddler to walk.

Short years ago I saw a man past ninety years old attempt to rise to address our students here at the college, and the strong president of the college assisted the gallant old soldier to the speakers' stand from which he recited us a chapter from his life of vigorous campaigning for Christ in storied Mexico. Somebody supported this dear old nonagenarian as he tottered, somebody upheld the toddler as he toddled.

Since the All Wise is heard to say, in that far off early day, "it is not good for men to be alone it has not been good or even possible for man so to live. The aging apostle yonder in the Roman prison needs the assurance of the people in Philippi that they love and honor him for the sacrifices he has made for their heavenly Master and for them. So the Philippians sent him a gift as substantial evidence that their affection for him is more than an empty feeling. Paul must make fitting response to this evidence of the love borne him by the members of the congregation of friends he made in Europe, and this response is made by sending them his dependable young friend.

III. Why Timothy Merited Paul's Confidence

(Philippians 2:20-23). He was like-minded. He and Paul thought alike. Paul had a real, heart-deep, fatherly interest in those Philippian brethren, and Timothy shared that interest. Others there were of Paul's following, but they were all busy with their own affairs, perhaps they were, and let us think they were, engaged in talks for the Lord that He had chosen for them. If the Lord wanted those other companions about His work in Rome, then not a one of them had any business to go on a journey to Philippi or anywhere else. Through all our all too brief day, let this be our rule of practice: You to your task; I to mine. So Timothy was Paul's man for this

LIKE A MIGHTY ARMY?

Simeon Stylites, the strikingly original writer of a weekly column in The Christian Century, had a rich one in a recent issue. He had an account of a Layman's Sunday in which a returned veteran from Korea was supposed to have been the speaker. The veteran asked that the congregation sing, "Onward Christian Soldiers" before he spoke. Then he waded in:

"You have been singing

Like a mighty army

Moves the church of God.

"That might have been all right once. The trouble is now that just about ten million men know exactly how an army moves. And it doesn't move the way a lot of you folks at St. John's do—or do not. Suppose the army accepted the lame excuses that many of you people think are good enough to serve as an alibi for not attending the Church Parade.

"Imagine this if you can. Rev-eille seven a. m., Squads on the parade ground. The sergeant barks out, 'Count fours.' One! Two! Three! Number Four missing. Where's Private Smith?

"Oh," pipes up a chap by the vacant place, 'Mr. Smith was too sleepy to get up this morning. He was out last last night and needed the sleep. He said to tell you that he would be with you in spirit.

"That's fine," says the sergeant. 'Remember me to him.'

"Where's Brown?" asks the sergeant.

"Oh," puts in another chap, 'he's out playing golf. He gets only one day a week for recreation, and you know how important that it.'

"Sure, sure," is the sergeant's cheerful answer. 'Hope he has a good game. Where's Robinson?'

"Robinson," explains a buddy, 'is sorry not to greet you in person. But he is entertaining guests today and of course couldn't come. Besides, he was at drill last week.'

"Thank you," says the sergeant smiling. 'Tell him he is welcome any time he is able to drop in.'

"Honest, now, did any conversation like that ever happen in any army? Don't make me laugh. If any GI tried to pull that stuff he would get 20 days in the brig. Yet you hear stuff like that every week in the church, and said with a straight face, too.

"Like a mighty army! Why, if St. John's really moved like a mighty army, a lot of you folks would be court martialed."

mission, but he was the Lord's man first, the Lord's man for this particular mission first, and Paul's man only after that.

My brother, I could not ask a greater boon of you than that you should pray for me that I might find God's way and work for me, every day and everywhere. And I know of no greater blessing I could ask for you of the great God than that He would show you what you should do for Him, day by day, and than He should then help you not only to will to do His assigned task, but to do it with all your might, knowing that it is God that worketh in you both to will and to work of His good pleasure.

Goes To Georgia



REV. PAUL H. CRANFORD

Rev. Paul H. Cranford, for two years pastor of the First Church, Eupora, has resigned in order to accept the pastorate of the Jackson Hills Church, Atlanta, Georgia. He will assume the Atlanta pastorate on April 6.

During his pastorate at Eupora the church has been completed and the greater part of the indebtedness paid. Many people have come into the church and all organizations have nearly doubled in attendance. Wednesday night prayer meeting has averaged 100 in attendance.

The Jackson Hill Church is one of the oldest in Atlanta; it is located in the business district. Mr. Cranford succeeds Dr. Paul McCommon, who became state music director in Georgia.

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National Pastors Express Appreciation To Foreign Boards and Plead for Workers

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board has received a letter of gratitude from the Baptist pastors of Guatemala and Honduras, signed by Gonzalo Morales, president, and Alexander Alvarado, secretary. The letter began: "We are moved by an imperative of conscience to manifest our gratitude to the Foreign Mission Board for the benefits with which we have been favored, which we here underscore."

The pastors expressed appreciation for Rev. and Mrs. William J. Webb, the Board's missionaries there; contributions to the support of and medical aid for the national pastors; special aid which re-enforces the national boards of missions, education, publications, and the theological seminary; and aid to churches for the purchase of land and the building of temples.

The message closed with this appeal: "The Baptist work in Guatemala and Honduras goes forward day by day with that spontaneity which is natural to our work, which causes one to see the increasing need for augmenting contributions and the personnel to take care of the work."

"In virtue of these facts we feel led to suggest, rather to plead, that your Board take under consideration the appointment of new missionaries for Guatemala and Honduras, where we believe there is sufficient field for work. The two countries together have a population of five millions, living in a territory of 264,029 square kilometers. Of this population there are about 150,000 evangelicals of all denominations and possibly 3,000 Baptists. This is our need figured in numbers."

"Moreover, in Guatemala we have an immense indigenous population. Seventy-five per cent of the inhabitants live in the most primitive condition, speaking around 30 dialects. We need your help."

"We hope in the Lord that in your plans for the work and your interest you will take us into consideration in world evangelization. 'Come over, and help us.'"

The Board appointed Rev. and Mrs. George Albert Bowdler, Jr., for Guatemala in December.

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Good Hope To Build Educational Annex

The Good Hope Church, Perry County, recently voted to begin plans to build an educational annex on to the present church building and to remodel and beautify the present building.

The completed building will contain nine class rooms, a storage room, a recreational hall and an auditorium complete with choir loft and baptistry.

On May 4, homecoming, special services will be held and an effort made to reach the \$1,000 goal of the building fund. It is also the opening day of a series of revival services.

Rev. J. D. Lundy is pastor.

CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

BY REV. LEON V. YOUNG, Clinton, Miss.
Called and Accepted:
E. F. Knight, Siloam to Cypress Creek Churches, Eastern Association, N. C. from Wilmington.
Lott Beshears, Boger City Church, N. C. from Laurel Hill Church, Staunton, Va.
Samuel H. W. Johnston, North Rocky Mount Church, N. C.
R. C. Lanier, Bethesda, Durham, N. C.

Raymond E. Connell, Cross Roads, Yadkin Association, N. C. from Mocksville.

P. E. Jones, Shiloh, Johnston Association, N. C.

Raymond J. Games, Christian Creek, Swannoa, N. C.

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Harvard To Revitalize Its Divinity School

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.—(RNS)—A plan to "revitalize" the Harvard Divinity School and make it an important center of religious learning" was announced here by President James B. Conant of Harvard.

The plan calls for new leadership of the divinity school, with an enlarged faculty nominated by an interdenominational board of distinguished clergymen; a bigger student body, and an expanded curriculum "designed to provide comprehensive education in the common tenets of Christianity."

"The school will be entirely interdenominational and consequently open to students without regard to their religious background," Dr. Conant said.

He said that the school, in addition to providing education in preparation for the ministry, will have a post-graduate department leading to higher degrees.

A committee to raise the \$5,000,000 fund for the new program has been formed, with John Lord O'Brien, Washington attorney, as general chairman, Graham B. Blaine, vice-chairman of the board of The Bank of the Manhattan Company, is chairman of the executive committee.

Eight leading clergymen have agreed to serve as a Board of Appointments to make recommendations to the university's governing board, Dr. Conant said. They are:

The Rt. Rev. Angus Dun, Protestant Episcopal Bishop of Washington, D. C.; Methodist Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam of New York; Dr. J. Seelye Bixler, President of Colby College, Waterville, Me.; Chancellor B. Harvie Branscomb of Vanderbilt University; Dr. Henry Sloane Coffin, president emeritus of Union Theological Seminary; Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, minister emeritus of Riverside church, New York; Dr. Reinhold Niebur, professor of Applied Christianity at Union Theological Seminary and Dr. Charles E. Park, minister emeritus of First Church of Boston.

(Editor's Note: Most of the above named clergymen are well-known for their modernist views. We do not think any Baptist would profit from such a school.)

HORNS BLOW IN HAVANA

BY G. KEARNIE KEEGAN

Southwide BSU Secretary

The horn on Missionary A. C. Queen's Ford in Havana sounds rather tired. And it has every reason to be. Never have I heard automobile horns blown with such constancy and at all hours. And the horn on the missionary's car is no exception.

"No one ever gets in your way in Cuba," remarked Brother Queen, "you just go around them." That philosophy is good but it doesn't always work. We saw several serious wrecks during our three day stay in Cuba.

We Southern Baptists have a right to "blow our horns" in rejoicing about the work carried on by our Home Mission Board in the Pearl of the Antilles. Dr. Caudle, genial superintendent of mission work in the Republic, was busy with his many responsibilities one of which is signing of deeds for newly purchased properties. A visit to the beautiful, imposing, well-located Seminary building where the Caudles reside yielded much inspiration.

The diligent, faithful work of Dr. and Mrs. Caudle and those missionaries associated with them, as well as those who have preceded them, is being richly rewarded today in that tropical island nation.

My primary reason for being in Cuba was to study our Baptist student work at the University of Havana. This activity is under the able direction of A. C. Queen, former state student secretary in Missouri. I was utterly amazed to see how much had been accomplished with such limited facilities in so short a time. The work with Baptist students at the university, although only approximately three years old, is already paying tremendous dividends.

The desperate need is for an adequate Student Center building and that is to be provided. In my hotel room, Dr. Caudle shared with me the good news that money was already on hand for the purchase of a selected lot near the university. When that pending purchase is consummated, an adequate building will be erected and properly equipped. How I rejoice in the vision of this mission superintendent and the Home Mission Board.

At present the Baptist Student Union of the university meets in missionary and Mrs. Queen's home. Forty were present the night I visited with and spoke to them. If you think forty a small number just remember that there are only 80 or 85 Baptist students in the university, the enrollment of which exceeds ten thousand.

My interpreter for the evening was the first B. S. U. president, now a successful public accountant. He and his charming wife are active members of La Vibra Church. They have recently been instrumental in a revival of New Testament stewardship in their church. He attributes his enlarged vision of stewardship to his B. S. U. experience.

But back to "horn blowing" to prove my point. On my last night in Cuba, I accompanied Brother Queen to a little town to partici-

pate in the ordination of a young preacher. Superintendent Caudle presided over a council of nine Cuban pastors, Missionary Queen, and myself. I was thrown in for extra measure with the understanding that I would sing, "The Lily of the Valley" for the honor but that I would not vote. It wasn't that they distrusted my theology—they had no faith in my Spanish which for all practical purposes does not exist.

The ceremony which began at 8:30 p. m. and closed at 10:30 was inspiring even though I was not sure that I understood anything except Dr. Caudle's words in English, "Now is the time you sing." A boy kept shooting a loud cap pistol outside the meeting house, the village Padre came and looked over the crowd, radios blared louder and louder next door, but the devout minority in that small auditorium acted as if nothing else was going on in the world except that service of ordination.

We reached my hotel in Havana shortly after midnight.

As Missionary Queen, who had been such a gracious host during my all-too-brief sojourn, pulled away from the curb his tired horn warned a nocturnal pedestrian. And as I dropped off to sleep at one o'clock in the morning, after packing, I heard other drivers blowing their horns at one another. You see, it is always horn-blowing time in Havana.

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Texas Baptists Shun Council Of Churches

DALLAS, Tex.—(RNS)—A constitution for the proposed Texas Council of Churches was adopted here by ministers and laymen of thirteen church groups.

At the same time the churchmen agreed that the state's two biggest religious groups — who were not represented at the meeting—should be invited to join. The two groups are the Southern Baptists and Roman Catholics.

Episcopal Bishop C. Avery-Mason of Dallas said it would be a deception to attempt to set up an organization purporting to represent the Christian interests of the state if Roman Catholics and Baptists had not been invited.

"I think I know what the answer will be," he said. "Nevertheless, such an invitation should be extended."

(Editor's Note: Catholics and Southern Baptists traditionally remain away from such organizations as interchurch councils.)

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Rev. William Poe, formerly pastor of Bethel Church in Missouri and who recently resigned in order to give his full time to evangelism, has moved from St. Louis to Memphis. Mr. Poe is a native of Forest, Miss. and a graduate of Southwestern Seminary. He has some open dates in May, June, July and August and may be contacted at 2316 Mervyn Street, in Memphis. He is highly recommended by many of the leading pastors and workers in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Arguments Don't Make "Good Baptist Meeting"

BY HAL D. BENNETT

There is at least one among Baptists that ought to be exploded and then abandoned. This habit we have of exchanging word battle with the expression "Just a good Baptist meeting." That may be all right within a family, where we nearly always say it with a smile. We take it to mean that as Baptists we have the freedom to disagree; we want to maintain that freedom.

An Argument Is Not Inevitable
The fact is that an argument is not inevitable among Baptists. Some churches have found the searching revival, one that touched the hearts of the membership, also has healed a church split.

What happened? The grace of God had done its work. Christ had found that they no longer wanted to say ugly things to one another.

For people will say ugly things to each other nearly every day. There is a wide difference of opinion. Church arguments may be over things, or about ideas, but hot words are between persons.

For one of our own to say this is Baptist is to argue that is Christian. Almost nobody would hold that self-assertion is a characteristic of a born-again person. Rather, the mark of a Christian self-denial. The mark of an intelligent Baptist should be that in a difference of opinion he is able to state his case clearly, publicly and in the right spirit. After that he is voted down by a congregation his choice should be to accept the will of the group.

Don't Cheapen the Name
We cheapen the name of Baptists by assuming that we will make every time we have to make decisions. A Baptist first of all is supposed to be a baptized believer. He is assumed to have been regenerated. His life is supposed to have undergone a change.

He is not a rioter; not a braggart. He belongs to a community of grace, all of whom have made public, voluntary profession of faith. If this kind of community cannot come together in love, no group can.

We talk too much about the rights of the individual among us, we seldom stop to show him the rights of his neighbor. The right to our say is not what ought to motivate a Baptist gathering. Rather, we have both the right and the duty to seek the truth in Christ and follow it. Any Baptist meeting should find all those present trying to learn the will of God.

No Secret Deals
If a meeting calls for discussion each matter should be explained so that all who vote will understand. Secret deals, fast decisions and railroaded actions have no part in the Baptist democratic process. Hard words, dealing in personalities, and tantrums, cannot well advance the cause of Christ.

After such a fracas we ought to say, "It was only a good Baptist meeting." Never!

Rather, "That was a bad Baptist meeting."

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